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IN THIS ISSUE

Cover: In recognition of Guild Month, the cover portrays Miss Evelyn McClelland, member of the Guild at Christ Methodist Church, New York City. The Guild begins a great program in October to "Triple Membership, Triple Guilds, and Triple Service." We salute the gainfully-employed women of Methodism in this united effort to which the Woman's Society is co-operating heartily.

Grace Butler, staff member, Kingdom House, St. Louis, Missouri, recently gone to Wolff Settlement, Tampa, Florida.

Marguerite Mallory Dixon, publicity manager, China Colleges.

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ASK YOURSELF

1. "Triple Membership, Triple Guilds, Triple Service." Whose slogan? How can the Woman's Society help?

2, A time for action? Explain.

3. "Let me be captured by a cause." Significance?

4. Explain, "As the Twig is Bent."

5. What is Lessie Bates Davis Neighborhood House?

6. S.O.S. Send Out Supplies. Explain.

7. There are only 10,000 college students. Where?

8. "I have just returned from Greencastle." Why were they there?

9. Fifty-eight Crusade scholars gathered where?

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GREAT CHALLENGES FOR A GREAT DAY

THE SUMMER MONTHS have found members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service gathered in five Jurisdiction Schools of Missions and Christian Service, some seventy-five Conference Schools of Missions and Christian Service, Week-end Meetings for Wesleyan Service Guild members, seventeen or more Schools for Young Women and Girls, five Regional Student Leadership Training Schools, and five or more great Interdenominational Training Centers. In these schools thousands of Methodist women and girls have been reached; they have literally traversed the world in their thinking and study—World Evangelism; We, the Peoples of the United Nations; Prayer; the launching of a program designed to acquaint all employed women with the church organization created specifically for them; latest methods in various lines of work; promotion, missionary education, spiritual life, literature and publications, student, young people, children, status of women, supply work, finance, personnel, and other phases of the work.

The fall of the year brings the training program to a close. It is now TIME FOR ACTION.

IT IS TIME FOR ACTION in Mission Study! Have you planned for a study of World Evangelism, the United Nations and Prayer in your Woman's Society this year? "Each new generation has its chance, for each generation in turn inherits the world. It moves into control of all enterprises and institutions. It may, therefore, be said that each generation can do with the world what it chooses. In certain ways people living in the twentieth century have been changing the world. They have changed the size of the world through marvelous inventions for transportation and communication. They have had a share in the changing of governments and social theories. But human nature still persists. Man needs resources beyond himself. These resources are in God. Nothing less than a world purpose is adequate for such a Christ and such a gospel."[1]

The study of the United Nations is so very appropriate this year and gears in so well with the theme of World Evangelism; in one we think in terms of a united world through Christ; in the other we think in terms of a political structure through which the nations can think and act together. Both are imperatives and all must be undergirded with prayer.

IT IS A TIME FOR ACTION. Your gainfully employed women need the Wesleyan Service Guild. Note the ways in which you, as a member of the Woman's Society can help to launch this Guild emphasis in October. See pages 15-18 for the plan to "Triple Membership, Triple Guild Units, and Triple Service." There are many ways in which you can help.

IT IS A TIME FOR ACTION. Think about those plans which you so carefully put down in your notebook. I heard a speaker say recently that "if the women of the church became concerned about what they put down in their notebooks" great social changes could take place. As we commit ourselves to the task, may we pray: "Lord, let me be captured by a Cause.

"Lord, God, I confess unto thee my grievous sins of self-absorption. Forgive me my wanderings of mind and will in the narrow confines of my one small self. Pull me out of this small world by capturing me in some cause. Grant me a purpose for which to live, a purpose that in some way is measured by thy will. Through my cause lay thou the destinies and hopes of other men heavily upon my heart. Let my cause cost me something."[1]

[1] *Program Suggestions for Youth*, by Oliver D. W. Cummings. Friendship Press. Used by permission.

To Woman's Society Members:

How You Can Help Promote the Guild

—You may co-operate by obtaining from the pastor names of employed women in the church, and others in the community who work in homes, offices, factories, etc., not now reached by the Woman's Society of the church. You may start a Guild with as few as a half dozen of these women.

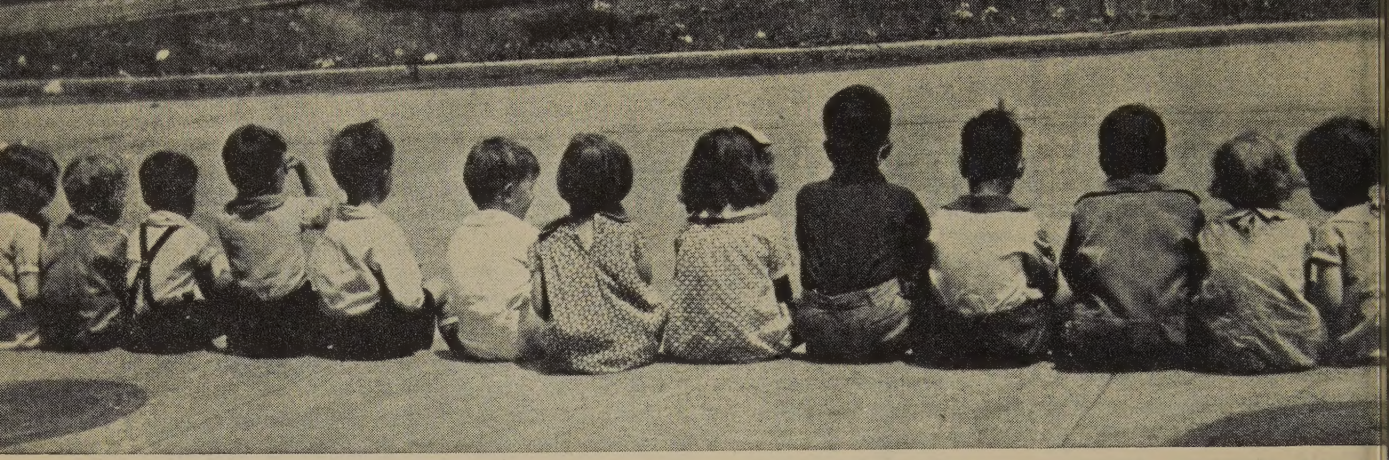
—You may secure names of employed women from your Status of Women survey.

—Plan a special week-night event to which each girl receives a personal invitation well in advance. Ask each girl to invite a friend to accompany her. Arrange to call for each guest if possible.

—Plan a program which will appeal to them—perhaps the event should be a picnic or theater party.

—At the conclusion of the occasion, some explanation of what the Guild is, its purpose, aims, and objectives should be made. If the group wants to become a Guild, the Woman's Society of Christian Service might offer to make the initial arrangements for space, equipment, and materials until it becomes self-sufficient.

—You can make organizing easier for this group by securing for them from the conference or district Guild secretary, or the Guild office, an Organization Packet.



Waiting for kindergarten car at Neighborhood House

"AS THE TWIG IS BENT . . ."

By GRACE BUTLER

THE STORIES THAT LIE BEHIND many of the now well-established mission projects of the Woman's Division of Christian Service put to shame the popular "whodunit" mysteries for sheer thrills and adventure. Such is the story of the Lessie Bates Davis Neighborhood House, a settlement house of East St. Louis, Illinois.

There is a "long, long trail a-winding" from the ten-dollar-a-month cottage where the work was established nearly forty years ago to the spacious up-to-date $100,000 building that stands today on an acre of ground at the corner of Winstanley Avenue and Thirteenth Street, just a few blocks from the original location.

Serving large numbers of Slavonic peoples who came as immigrants from southern Europe in the early part of the century to find work in the packing houses and stock yards of East St. Louis, the settlement began as a little mission sponsored by a group of ministers in St. Louis. For many years it was called "Slavonic Mission" and was served by a Bohemian minister, who, with his wife and two young sons, moved into the neighbohood. In those days people were not so friendly toward the project as they are today and it had to change location several times. Once or twice saloonkeepers objected to the mission because it interfered with their business, and other antagonists pelted the building with rocks and other missiles so that it was not until the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the First Methodist Church of East St. Louis came to the rescue with a new location and the $10-a-month cottage that the work became established and began to go forward unmolested and with confidence. In a few years the Home Missionary Society of the Southern Illinois Conference accepted the settlement as its project, later the National Society of the Woman's Home Missionary Society assumed control, and, finally, the Woman's Division of Christian Service. It is also one of the agencies in the Community Fund of East St. Louis and is a member of the East St. Louis Council of Social Agencies.

In 1914, the Slavonic Mission became the East St. Louis Settlement House and remained so until the dedication of the new building in 1939. It was then named "Lessie Bates Davis Neighborhood House," in honor of Mrs. Frank L. Davis of St. Louis, who was then bureau secretary of City Missions of the Central West and is now president of the settlement board of managers. This is a project that has long been dear to her heart, and it was largely through her devoted efforts that it is now housed in such a fine modern plant.

Recently another tribute was paid her in the form of a portrait of herself which was sponsored by the board of managers and now hangs in the front hall of Neighborhood House. The portrait was presented with a fitting program of eulogy and praise so that Mrs. Davis could enjoy the bouquets of love and appreciation while she is still living. Mrs. Davis, in turn, paid tribute to Miss Lillie R. Sheffer, home missionary, who has been superintendent of Neighborhood House for almost twenty-five years.

Today one cannot think of Neighborhood House apart from the life and influence of Miss Sheffer. As she says, this has been her "first and only," and never once has she wavered in her choice of lifework. This unfaltering purpose is clearly reflected in the well-established program, the character of the work of the settlement, and its wholesome and stabilizing influence in the community.

Miss Sheffer recalls that in the early days of her superintendency one of the big tasks of the settlement was to minister to the physical needs of the immigrant people, to help them learn English, and to get adjusted to life in their new world.

Today all this has changed and the main emphasis of the program is recreation, inspiration, and character development. So frugal and industrious have the Slavonic and other immigrant people been that most families now own a modest little cottage with flowers, a green lawn, and a well-kept hedge or fence. They have become well assimilated, too, although the national social halls and signs like "Czech," "Ukranian," or "Bohemian" that dot the various street corners of the community still indicate a wholesome regard for the old folk traditions and festivals, particularly among the older people.

In this continued devotion and respect, both the parents who have fostered it, and the settlement which merits it, share a mutual pride. Naturally, the boys and girls more often than not "spread their wings and fly away" for a while, but many of them come back for their weddings and christenings in the chapel and to find again their place in the life of the church. "As the twig is bent, so shall the tree be."

Typical of the letters which came back from servicemen during the war is this sentence, "I owe you a debt I can never repay," and other expressions of appreciation "for all the goodness you have done to me."

Like many of the settlements under the Woman's Division, Neighborhood House has a dual program of settlement activities and of church activities. The present pastor is the Rev. Maisachi Katayama, Japanese-American student at McKendree College, Lebanon, Illinois, one of our oldest Methodist schools.

The day nursery, which had its beginnings in the early days, is now supplemented with a morning nursery school and kindergarten, which serve not only children of working mothers who need day care, but also other children in the neighborhood who come only for this training program. This is a particularly valuable service since there are no public school kindergartens in East St. Louis. Another service which the settlement offers is a well-baby clinic each week.

After school and on Saturdays there are such activities as sewing, woodwork, a bird club, Boy Rangers, the Magic Circle, Junior Choir, and Girl and Boy Scouts for the boys and girls. For the teenagers the big event of the week is roller skating in the settlement gymnasium. Since this is the only roller rink in East St. Louis, it affords an activity which the young people value very highly. When it closes for the summer, their cry is, "Where can we go if we can't come here?"

The women of the neighborhood enjoy such activities as the Mothers' Club, the quilting group, the sewing class, and the Woman's Society of Christian Service. Besides gaining recreation and inspiration for themselves in these groups, they also do service projects for the church or the settlement program. Such gifts as a movie machine, equipment for the nursery and kindergarten, or an electric fan for the chapel, all of which the women have bought or helped buy, represent not only real contributions but also the tie that binds these good people to Neighborhood House.

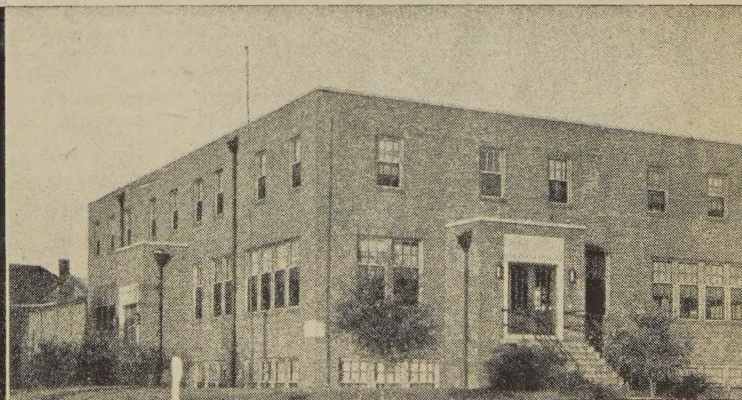
As in many of our churches, especially in settlement areas, there is a dearth of men engaged in the program activities here. They are few but faithful who attend the brotherhood and the monthly adult Bible class, and they also give their services in many ways.

Through the years of her work at Neighborhood House Miss Sheffer has been fortunate in having with her a steady staff personnel much of the time. Miss Lena Larcom, boys' club worker; Miss Ethel T. Vanek, kindergartner and girls' club worker; and Miss Emma J. Vanek, matron, are all resident staff who can count almost as many years of service here as the superintendent. "I don't know what I would have done without them," Miss Sheffer said gratefully. Other present staff members are Mrs. Mamie Rueckert, kindergartner and girls' club worker; Mrs. Louana Sullivan, director of the nursery; Miss Wyvona Luman, nusery assistant; and Miss Jane Hallows, nursery school teacher.

Here, as everywhere, however, the cry is for more workers to do a bigger and better job in the Kingdom. "The harvest is white and the laborers are few." And the need is so great!

s Ethel Vanek, worker at Lessie Bates Davis with Girl Scouts in a Scout badge show

Lovely building of the Lessie Bates Davis Neighborhood House



HOME NEWS FLASHES

LIBRARY SERVICE IN TOWN AND COUNTRY

Reported from North Barre Community House, Barre, Vermont: "We are very happy to report an addition to our program which has been made possible by the volunteer workers of our Methodist Youth Fellowship. In studying the Commission on Community Service, they suggested that it would be nice to have a library service here at the Community House. It is something that has been lacking, but with the very crowded schedule of each of the staff members, it has been quite impossible. We started this project with books which had been sent to the Community House in boxes from our supply work. These books I turned over for the use of the library and these girls, who volunteered to undertake the work, spent many hours carefully cataloguing and listing all of them. The girls have proved that they were very efficient and have seemed to enjoy the project very much. Thus far this month they have held six sessions with 118 in attendance and have distributed 160 books. Considering the small beginning, we think that is a splendid response."

A rural worker in Arkansas reports: "The Scott County Methodist Council is working toward having a traveling library in the county. It has secured, and by the aid of the Girl Scouts has opened, the public library in Waldron which has been closed for several years. Plans have been completed to use the new station wagon to take books to the rural people who do not have the privileges of library service. Time alone will reveal the great good this service will bring."—Marjorie Minkler.

VARIED ACTIVITIES AT URBAN SETTLEMENTS

Miss Lillian Ellis, head resident of Tacoma Community House, Tacoma, Washington, writes: "We have had a series of overnight hikes which were very good for our groups. Our mother-daughter banquet was a great success with an illustrated lecture given by a mother and daughter. This was about a trip over the Wonderful Trail on Mt. Rainier, one hundred miles of hiking.

"The playground is filled to bursting every evening, with no way of reporting the numbers served. It needs to be larger, especially since a building has been erected on one of the vacant lots where the children formerly played."

S.O.S. BUREAU OF EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

S.O.S. As commonly understood, these initials stand for "Save, O Save," a distress signal. Equally urgent is the meaning we would give them this year, namely, "Send Out Supplies." I know that all the Supply secretaries are giving excellent response to the regular needs. However, there are certain situations due to weather and climatic conditions that have brought unusual appeals.

First, word has come from the Navajo Methodist Mission School in Farmington, New Mexico, that frost blighted the fruit—apricots, pears, sweet cherries, peaches—and makes this school short, not only of fruit to sell which has aided their budget, but also (and this is even more serious) deprives the children of this important item of diet. Anyone who has seen on the shelves of the Navajo School the hundreds of jars of fruit and vegetables which have been canned by the staff members with the help of the children, can realize what a loss the school faces this coming year.

Again, the floods in the Middle West will mean a loss in the grain crop, which in turn means less meat and fowl. President L. B. Carpenter of the National College for Christian Workers in Kansas City, Missouri, fears this situation may mean a lessening of the supplies that may be sent to the school. Through the years it has been dependent upon the many generous friends who have contributed from their stock to the maintenance of a healthful diet for the students.—Muriel Day.

BRIGHT COLORS AT SUSANNAH WESLEY HOME

Reported by Frances L. Taylor, superintendent: "For a long time we've wanted to brighten up our beach house. It was all in gray and white. We did add bright drapes but it had to be repainted inside, so with help from board members we planned a nice bright interior. The girls' dorm is in two shades of yellow, the kitchen in green, the girls' bath in yellow and green (the painters reversed the colors, putting green on top and yellow at the bottom, but it is pretty). The staff rooms and bath are in peach, and the living room in peach and English Venetian red. We thought we'd leave the living room gray and peach, but did not like it when it was finished so settled on the red. It

always seems to me vacation houses should run riot in color. Now we hope to get some unbleached muslin curtains, with a simple design either in block print or outline, using lightly a third color, maybe a gray-blue or green.

"For our annual meeting we used 'hua-pala,' which you may know as bigonia or trumpet vine, with yellow candles for the tables and cup-of-gold for the rest of the house. We've used croton, cup-of-gold and plain green vines and plants with candles at other times. At Christmas I've used mountain plants from Hawaii, Christmas tree ornaments, our Hawaiian Christmas berry, silvered wood roses, small Christmas trees among other things, but this year we painted bits of branches white and tied silver tinsel with red to them. They were somewhat modernistic, but quite pretty. Each of the girls' tables is decorated, and then we use a large table for something extra like a snow scene with Santa Claus, or a crèche, or fruit at Thanksgiving."—MIRIAM V. RISTINE.

ACTIVITIES OF A HOSPITAL DEACONESS

Mary E. Hill reports from Brewster Hospital, Jacksonville, Florida: "We hold chapel services six mornings each week. The students themselves conduct these services under my direction. We use many devotional books, religious poems, and written prayers. However, the student is encouraged to use her own initiative. This service is about fifteen minutes in length. Its expressed purpose is to begin the day with God and invoke his divine guidance and blessing. The nurses are encouraged to attend and become active in some church while here in Jacksonville.

"Beginning last November, vesper services have been held each Friday evening. Either a white or Negro minister has been asked to bring a message. The classes take turns in providing special music, leading in prayer, Scripture reading, and responsive reading. It is our hope that some day the students will conduct the vesper services also; perhaps not to give the message, but to prepare and conduct the program.

"Part of our recreational program is our music period. Our school of nursing chorus has rendered several selections during the year.

"The nurses have Saturday and Sunday as guest nights, at which time I act as hostess. Our two small reception rooms have often been filled and the overflow had to use the large reception room. If weather permits, many go on the porch and lawn.

"My visits to patients in the hospital have been about three hundred for the year. I wish that I could have done more of this type of work. About 250 pieces of literature, including *The Upper Room,* were distributed. This past year it has been my privilege to act as chaplain for The Hospital Guild.

"During the year we have had visits from many of our friends in the Woman's Society of Christian Service. We appreciate these visits and the help given."—MRS. ROBERT STEWART.

In Memoriam

Mrs. F. S. Parker, former recording secretary, Woman's Missionary Council

DEATH CLAIMS MRS. LUCY PARKER

THROUGHOUT all Methodism friends will be sad to hear the news of the death of Mrs. Fitzgerald S. Parker, wife of the late Dr. Parker, noted for his leadership of the Epworth League movement. She died June 17, at Fountain Head Sanitarium, Fountain Head, Tennessee, having been in failing health for the past three years.

Lovely in face and beautiful in spirit, Mrs. Parker was known throughout the church for her zeal in missionary work. For twenty-five years she was active in the affairs of The Methodist Church, first as recording secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions in the former Methodist Episcopal Church, South. After the union of the Home and Foreign Mission Boards, she was recording secretary of the Woman's Missionary Council until the churches were united and the Woman's Division of Christian Service was organized, with headquarters in New York.

Mrs. Parker was a member of the committee that planned the removal of Scarritt Bible and Training School from Kansas City, Missouri, to Nashville, Tennessee, where it became Scarritt College for Christian Workers.

Born in Vicksburg, Mississippi, November 18, 1874, Mrs. Parker was the daughter of the late William Galloway Paxton and Lucy Gibbs Paxton. She was a graduate of Ward College, now Ward-Belmont College, in Nashville. She was married on April 11, 1901, to Fitzgerald Sale Parker, who enjoyed an unbroken service of more than thirty years in the work of The Methodist Church. Dr. Parker died July 22, 1936.

Funeral services for Mrs. Parker were conducted from Belmont Methodist Church in Nashville, of which she was a member. Burial was in Mt. Olivet Cemetery, Nashville. Survivors include two sons, Fitgerald S. Parker, Jr., of Nashville, and Dr. William Paxton Parker, of Florence, Alabama; one sister, Mrs. Hubert F. Thomas, of Denver, Colorado; one brother, Edward G. Paxton, of New York, N. Y.; five grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.—*Mrs. Maude Turpin.*

Decisive Factors in the Creation of the New China

By **MARGUERITE MALLORY DIXON**

Most of the news that has been coming out of China in the past few months has dealt with the "unrest" in that country rather than with the reconstruction and development which is taking place there. It is true that on the political and economic side the news is about as serious as it could be, but it is also true that in many parts of China there is going on today work that is both constructive and of real significance for the future.

In the forefront of this work is that being carried on by the thirteen Christian colleges, toward whose support Methodists so generously contribute. Despite the civil war and chaos, these institutions have gone steadily about their basic constructive task of bringing modern knowledge to, and nurturing sturdy moral character in China's youth.

China today has only one doctor to every 15 in the United States and only one dentist to every 230 in this country. She has but 15 teachers for every 22 in America, and should have 4,200,000 to equal American education standards. In China there are only 10,000 college students, and there should be 8,250,000 to reach the level of standards in the United States.

More than eighty-five per cent of China's population live on farms which produce less than subsistence yields. While the American farmer has an average of 190 acres and produces a surplus, the average Chinese farm is only three and one-half acres and yields less than enough to maintain a healthful standard of living. These are the cold facts which explain to a large degree the present plight of the Chinese people.

Most of China's leading agriculturists today are graduates of one of the three Christian agricultural colleges—Fukien, Lingnan, and the University of Nanking. Nanking is the leading agricultural college in the country. Of all Chinese students who have ever gone abroad to study agriculture, more than forty-four per cent are graduates of this university.

Students of the College of Agriculture at Fukien Christian University, in co-operation with the Ministry of Education and UNRRA, recently conducted a pest-control demonstration against insects and fungus diseases. A party of thirty students spent a week spraying a near-by village orchard, living with the village people during that period. This was a relatively new undertaking for the farmers: though many had heard that the "whitish-yellow cloud of dust" would kill insects, most of them had never had the opportunity to see for themselves.

It is probably not too much to say that three-quarters of all the effective scientific work done in the field of agriculture in China today is being done by the Christian colleges.

In the field of medicine the colleges have pioneered by developing four of China's ten leading medical colleges, and they have at West China Union University one of the three dental colleges in all China. One of the greatest contributions of the Christian colleges according to Dr. Leo Eloesser, formerly with UNRRA medical personnel in China, has been the training of young Chinese nurses in the latest Western medical methods.

Just what an important part graduates of the Christian colleges are playing in China's life today can perhaps best be illustrated by pointing out that almost all of China's representatives at Madras and other important Christian gatherings are graduates of these colleges, as are thirty-three per cent of China's representatives on the United Nations organization. Forty-six per cent of Chinese students in the United States for advanced work are alumni of the colleges, while thirty per cent of those Chinese now holding scholarships from the United States State Department attended one or more of these institutions.

The colleges also take a leading part in education for women in China, and among them are the only two colleges in that country—Hwa Nan in Foochow and Ginling in Nanking—which offer a liberal arts education for women. Dr. Lucy C. Wang, president of Hwa Nan, recently returned to China after spending more than a year in the United States studying the latest educational developments in this country. Last May Dr. Wang flew to South America and spent six weeks visiting Methodist missions in Brazil, Uruguay, Argentina, Chile, and Peru, as well as Panama and the Canal Zone.

Recent visitors to the colleges report that the latter have emerged from the war and their enforced exile undismayed and with high hopes for the future. The number of students who applied for admission this fall was greater than ever before, but these institutions on the average can

admit less than ten per cent of the young people who wish to enter.

Among recent visitors who have been impressed with the colleges' work was Dr. Henry P. Van Dusen, president of Union Theological Seminary, and Dr. Robert J. McMullen, executive secretary of the United Board, who flew last year to China to investigate the war damage suffered by the colleges, preparatory to drawing up plans for their rehabilitation.

"Within the Christian movement in China, the Christian universities hold a unique importance," Dr. Van Dusen declared on his return. "One needs constantly to be reminded of this importance."

Former Prime Minister T. V. Soong spoke the view widely held among his countrymen when he said: "The thirteen Christian colleges have been one of the decisive factors in the creation of the 'New China.' Their importance for China's future cannot be exaggerated."

The colleges are strategically located at pivotal points throughout the country—from Peiping on the north, to Canton on the south, and from Shanghai on the eastern coast to Chengtu, "under the eaves of Tibet, the roof of the world." At the turn of the century many of the colleges were fairly close together and large sections of the country had no institutions of higher learning. Today, however, there is comprehensive planning so that there is no duplication of effort and each institution serves a large area.

Both Americans and British co-operate in these enterprises. Most of the colleges are interdenominational; and institutions of different origins, from Anglo-Catholic to American Southern Baptist, are associated on one campus under one administration. The most recent of these combinations is the East China Union University in Shanghai, in which three of China's oldest and most famous Christian colleges—Soochow, Hangchow, and St. John's have been merged.

Reporting on the wartime sacrifices and moral stature of the colleges' faculties, Dr. Henry Sloane Coffin, who returned recently from China, declares that their example is a constant stimulus.

"The inflation is felt most acutely by the professional classes," he says. "Their salaries, never high, amount to less today than the earnings of a coolie. A day-laborer can demand higher wages and increase his demands as the costs of living mount. But a teacher on an annual salary is at a disadvantage. These men and women kept on with their work during the chaos of the war years, who risked peril, suffered humiliation from a haughty foe and did not give up, are not allowing themselves to be defeated by the more inexorable foe of poverty. How they manage remains a mystery."

To the morale both of these Chinese professors and of their returning foreign colleagues the financial assistance received from the Methodist and other mission boards has been of inestimable help. The fate of these colleges depends on the continued support and understanding of America's Protestant churches and the American people.

In an effort to help meet needs of college students in Nanking, China, the Y.W.C.A., Y.M.C.A., and National Christian Council have set up a milk-feeding station at Central University in Nanking

British Combine Photos
Newspaper peddler selling papers in front of theater, Hongkong, China

Aiding the Christian colleges at this time is wise, says Dr. Robert J. McMullen, because "China has great need of the kind of leaders which these colleges prepare. The world also needs a China which has the kind of leadership which will assist in bringing about world-wide peace."

Bound Together in a Common Purpose

BY MISSIONARIES OF THE WOMAN'S DIVISION

I'VE JUST RETURNED from the conference at Greencastle in which we new missionaries met with those on furlough.

What an inspiration it was to be with those missionaries who have already served around the world! The average number of years of service was twenty-three. Just imagine! Those of us who had just been commissioned were eager to talk with the missionaries from the areas to which we were going. One whole morning and afternoon was given to group meetings of this sort. Ours on China was well worth while. Of course, we were not only interested in our special group, but in gaining insight into the work of our whole church throughout the world. The planning committee had allowed time for informal group meetings, too. I do believe Christian friendship is the most deep and enriching experience. It was so good to renew friendships and to make new ones. This business of working together in the service of our Lord forms a strong spiritual bond which reaches, through the hearts of Christians, around the world.

It was with mixed feelings that I listened to the missionaries who have had many years of dedicated service. There were several present who are in the States to stay. I could not help wondering who would take their place. The calls come for needed workers from every direction. In relation to the task ahead there are so few of us to go out.

One of the most helpful things about the conference was the great deal of time given to becoming better acquainted with the work of our church and our Board of Missions. A large number of the staff members were present to lead us in panels, discussions, and individual conferences. We could not help but realize that we belong to a big organization. There are many intricate parts, but through all runs the Spirit of our church —our world church.

When the Crusade scholars joined us, I knew more surely than ever that the work of the Kingdom of God is a joint enterprise of Christians the world over. It is not something that missionaries do by themselves, nor is it something that people within their own country can do alone. Earnest Christians must unite their efforts if we are to succeed. Sunday was a high day for the conference. We—Christians of the world—joined in the Lord's Supper; Bishop Subhan, of India, preached in the morning service; the Crusade scholars led us in a service of worship in the evening. We were drawn close to one another and to God.

The conference wasn't planned for inspiration, but it was just what I needed to make me eager to get busy buying, sewing, and packing for China. As I sat in the group of missionaries, I knew with great certainty that this was where I belonged. How proud I am to be a member of this great body! It is really a joy and a privilege to be a

Missionaries and staff at Conference of Missionaries, Greencastle, Indiana

missionary. We are eager to "get going." We are proud to be missionaries. But that is not all. We feel keenly a deep sense of humility. We are channels for the power of God. As new missionaries we feel the need of prayer. We feel the need of living close to God in our work. But we do not face the task alone. We are adding our strength to that of all other Christians around the world.—MARY MITCHELL.

As Seen by the Four Workers Present from Mexico

To be with missionaries from all parts of the world in a rich interchange of ideas was a thrilling experience, and to have contacts with the young missionaries going out for the first time was to catch anew their zeal, their spirit of adventure, and courage for the task ahead.

The presentation of the programs was much appreciated: a "streamlining" process for taking our place in and making the greatest contribution

HIGH LIGHTS OF THE MEETING OF MISSIONARIES, CRUSADE SCHOLARS AND STAFF AT DE PAUW UNIVERSITY, GREENCASTLE, INDIANA, JUNE 23-JULY 1, 1947.

o the world-wide program of the church; a clearng house for complex missionary doubts, questionngs, and problems.

We liked the sense of unity, the feeling of being ound together in a common purpose, the realizaion that our problems are much the same the world ver, and that through all there is a strong "tie that inds our hearts in Christian love." We found it un to match faces with names long familiar hrough correspondence.

Perhaps the highest peak was the contacts with he Crusade scholars and their contributions in the neetings, bringing to all a realization of our comon task for the extension of God's Kingdom hroughout the world and that, as they return to heir homelands, they will be ambassadors of international good will and peace because they are ambassadors of Christ and his Kingdom.—Ola Eugene Callahan.

Europe at the Missionary Assembly

The delegates from Europe representing Nationals from Belgium, Czechoslovakia, a missionary from Bulgaria, a new candidate to Poland, and

Crusade scholars assembled at Greencastle, Indiana

young Norwegian missionaries dedicated to service in North Africa, all agreed that they had been strengthened through the contacts of this assembly. It made us realize that we were not working alone, each country for itself, but that Methodism is a world community. That was impressed upon us by the sight of fifty-eight Crusade scholars from all over the world gathered at the altar. We shall endeavor to share with our folk the thrill we received as we looked upon them and listened to their stirring testimonies.

The Methodist Church is not very strong in Europe, but its influence is growing and will continue to do so if more of our young leaders may have the opportunity of study in America. For Europe has something to contribute: take for example the consecrated young people of Norway, Switzerland, and Belgium who offer their lives for foreign mission work.—Mellony Turner.

My Heart is Full of Praise

I think the Greencastle conference was a success. I heartily appreciated the opportunity provided for us, the Crusade scholars, to meet with the missionaries and with one another. You know, personally, I consider the missionaries the best representatives that you people send to the various countries. Most of them are doing good and living the gospel. They influenced my life. The joyful atmosphere of this special occasion would be expressed by two of our Chinese characters meaning a "noisy hot time."

I admired the democratic spirit of the leaders of the Joint Committee. They let the Crusaders freely express their opinions, give their suggestions, and tell their problems. They graciously promised that they would do their best to make the foreign students feel at home while they are in the States.

The Sunday morning communion service was impressive. All the peoples on earth are equal, and as such they met at the table of the Lord. The following prayer meeting touched me. So many audible prayers earnestly and sincerely asked the power of the Holy Spirit to influence the minds of the one hundred scientists who were meeting to urge the use of atomic energy for world peace.

Bishop John Subhan, of India, preached a very helpful sermon on the power of the Cross, the glory of God, which subject I seldom hear in the States. His sermon made me recall my past experiences. How often during the war years, when disappointed, lonely, and threatened by evil circumstances, I looked up to the Cross and was made happy, strong, and hopeful. I was reassured that God cannot be defeated. God's grace is sufficient for the weak like me. My heart is full of praise and gratitude to our heavenly Father. Lois M. Hwang, Crusade Scholar from China.

National College Serves the Present Age

By **IRENE PENLAND CAMMACK**

EVERYONE MAKES A CONTRIBUTION of some sort to the world in which he lives. The more Christian influences are brought to bear upon a life, the more worth while that contribution will be. College days offer one of life's real opportunities for broadening horizons and deepening inner resources. The National College for Christian Workers is concerned that young lives will feel the impact of Christian influences in the most effective way.

Ann Fitzpatrick and Mildred Johns aboard "SS Marine Jumper" en route World Conference of Christian Youth, Oslo, Norway

For forty-seven years National College has guided the training of young women as they have come to study on this hilltop campus. Many have been the enriching experiences which have increased the spiritual resources of its students. The members of the faculty with their excellent preparation have guided students into cultural channels. Kansas City offers great advantages for an increased appreciation of the arts through the Nelson Art Gallery, Philharmonic Orchestra, Kansas City Art Institute, Kansas City Conservatory of Music, and the many recitals, lectures, and dramas. The interracial student body adds to the awareness of the brotherhood of man. National College is known for its great tradition of service which is enlarged by student service assignments during college days.

National College students find opportunities for service through teaching in mission schools, working in social settlements, directing nursery schools and kindergartens, assisting pastors, directing religious education, working in community centers, and serving as chuch secretaries. One might think that the life of a church secretary would not be very interesting, but Lois Zimmerman, 1925, finds it quite satisfying.

After a couple of years as parish worker at Arch Street Church in Philadelphia, the position of secretary was open, and I took care of the work until another secretary could be secured. During the depression, when churches found it impossible to maintain any kind of staff, I became the secretary of the Philadelphia Deaconess Home and Settlement. I did the routine affairs of the office, answered the doorbell, and met all kinds of folk and all kinds of problems. But in addition to the routine office work, I was one of the settlement workers, in the game room each evening, helping with community nights, teaching in the Sunday school, working in vacation school, doing some field work in the interests of the settlement, pinch-hitting in the dispensary during vacations, and filling in wherever needed. A sercetary without deaconess training could not have done it, so I figured I was a better secretary and had more opportunities through the medium of being in that position than in any other.

My next appointment took me to Detroit as secretary of the Boulevard Temple Methodist Church, and only two years ago, June 1, was transferred to Central Methodist Church, Pontiac, with the title of secretary. Working under this title, I have been the church-school superintendent, superintendent of the Youth Division, adult counselor for the Youth Fellowship, financial secretary, a member of the Board of Education, a member of the Finance Committee, active in the Woman's Society of Christian Service, a participating member of the business and professional woman's group, and all this aside from what one may call the "routine."

As I sit in the church office, I meet such a variety of problems that I feel I should be a trained social worker, confidential secretary, director of religious education, assistant pastor, official hostess, superintendent of building maintenance, and, as one pastor said, "general roustabout."

Being "just a secretary" has carried with it many challenges, has always taxed my training and my ability, and has called for every ounce of consecration in my being. It truly takes all that I am and have. With any other title I could not do more effective work or a greater quantity of work. I like being a church secretary.

This past year National College had one student on a "Crusade for Christ Scholarship," Mrs. Minerva Garza of Brownsville, Texas, who is recording secretary of the Southwest Mexican Conference. She was chosen to come to National College for training in order that she might return to Brownsville and open a kindergarten for Mexican children. She will open this kindergarten in September under the direction of the Woman's Division. It will be her privilege to visit in the homes and help in the improvement of living conditions, and later there will be a baby clinic in connection with the kindergarten. Mrs. Garza looks forward to being of service to the Mexican children along the border. Surely helping these children is very important, "for of such is the Kingdom."

Miss Mildred Johns, one of the Negro students at National College, was chosen as one of the sixteen Methodist delegates to the World Conference of Christian Youth, which was held in Oslo, Norway, July 21 to August 1, 1947. Miss Johns is also a Central Jurisdiction youth representative on the Board of Missions and Church Extension. Besides her abilities in these capacities she has great musical talent. Miss Johns not only sings in the school quartet, but is a member of a city trio and has given several recitals.

The music program of National College has been strengthened by another student this past year. By proving her American citizenship, Miss Grace Chu has been permitted to return to this country for religious training. It had been her mother's wish that Grace should return to the States and attend the same school which she had attended twenty-two years ago. Mr. and Mrs. Fred W. Chu came to the United States as students in July, 1925. Grace was born at the Bethany Hospital, Kansas City, Kansas, a month after her mother entered the Methodist school for deaconesses and missionaries, then known as the National Training School.

When Grace was eleven months old her parents obtained a passport for their American-born daughter to return to China. Grace was permitted to retain her American citizenship and grew up with the intention of coming back as a student.

In the fall of 1946 the enrollment at National College increased nearly fifty per cent; this year an even larger student body has been admitted. To accommodate a growing school of this kind there are many needs which are urgent. A lovely new chapel has been made possible through the generosity of a friend. The donor's plans call for the erection of a structure that will take its place among the outstanding chapels on Methodist campuses. The chapel also will house music studios and practice rooms, which will facilitate the musical training of our students.

A library-administration building is part of the forward-looking program of the school. A portion of the Week of Prayer and Self-Denial Offering this year will be designated to help make this possible. Through the alumnae of the school there will be established the Dr. Anna Neiderheiser Foundation. A dedication placque will be placed in the library-administration building to bear a testimony of appreciation for Dr. Neiderheiser's many years of loving service as president of the college.

As the enrollment enlarges, there is an ever-increasing demand for additional dormitory space, new equipment for the kitchen, extended laundry facilities, and remodeling of the dining room and lounge. At least five new houses are needed to accommodate the present faculty. If the science students are to be served effectively, better equipped biology, chemistry, and psychology laboratories are necessary. As the college grows and expands into new areas of service, there is need for an expansion not only of physical facilities, but also of curriculum and opportunities for spiritual growth.

Under the administrative leadership of President Lewis B. Carpenter the school is extending its program to serve the present age. In the spirit of the recently adopted school song, National College looks toward the future:

"The present age you wish to serve,
From God's own way you'll never swerve.
National College, long may you stand
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FOREIGN NEWS FLASHES

IN MEMORIAM

Mrs. Bertha Kneeland Tallon, a retired missionary of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, died on April 9, 1947, at Westborough, Massachusetts. Bertha Kneeland was appointed a missionary of the New England Branch in 1900, and served in Rosario, Argentina, until she was married in 1909 to a missionary of the Board of Foreign Missions. After her husband's death, she returned to service in 1913 under the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society and was retired in 1921.

RECENTLY RETURNED FROM

India: The Misses Grace Davis, c/o Mrs. Ernest Wagoner, Carthage, Indiana; Maurine Cavett, 412 West Chestnut Street, Dennison, Iowa.

Belgian Congo: The Misses Elizabeth Dalbey, 2421 Loveland Avenue, Erie, Pennsylvania; Edith Martin, 418 S. Pine Street, Harrison, Arkansas.

Malaya: Miss Lydia Urech, c/o R. H. Silverthorn, Spanish-American Institute, Gardena, California.

RECENTLY SAILED

Mrs. Anna King, a new missionary for North Africa, left on July 1 to study French in Paris, France, before proceeding to Constantine, Algeria, in the autumn.

CORRECTION

Through an error in the July-August issue of THE METHODIST WOMAN, Miss Myrtle Pider's arrival was noted as in America. Actually, she arrived in Japan.

LATIN AMERICA

The Federation of Methodist Women in Argentina has become much interested in supplying scholarships for Protestant girls who need to complete their academic preparation before entering Union Theological Seminary in Buenos Aires to study for full-time Christian service. To this end the Federation has created the "Susannah Wesley Fund." From this, last year scholarships were awarded to two young women from the Rosario Tala rural district in order that they might board and room in the home of a Methodist pastor in a near-by city while attending high school. This year help will be given to a third young woman so that she may complete her preparation for the Seminary.

The Normal School in Puebla, Mexico, has been united with the well-known primary school, Escuela Benito Juarez. From kindergarten through normal courses the total enrollment is 411, with 38 teachers. Most of the professors are graduates of the former Puebla Normal which functioned under the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society before the social revolution in Mexico which took all schools from the jurisdiction of the church. Ninety-three girls of all ages are in the hostel of which a missionary has charge. The principal of this combined institution is Miss Adelia Palacios, who, with her sister, Miss Juana, has labored valiantly to have the normal course reopened. These friends write that the alumnae of the former Normal School are continuing their enthusiastic support with the hope that in three years the school will be entirely independent. The primary school and the commercial department have so many students that their fees help to pay for teachers in the normal, which has eleven enrolled. Miss Adelia writes, "We face a problem in the primary school where many things are needed if we are to carry on modern education. All kinds of school materials, such as maps and slides, are greatly needed."

CHINA

Eight young women have been commissioned for work in China under the Woman's Division. They are: The Misses Olivia Dickhaut, R.N., of Evansville, Indiana; Eunice LaRue, R.N., of Canton, Ohio; Judith Heinsohn, medical technician and bacteriologist, of Topeka, Kansas; Mary Milster Mitchell, education, of Conway, Arkansas; Elizabeth Johannaber, education, of Omaha, Nebraska; Miriam Jean Gruber, education, of Alexandria, Virginia; Hazel Rippey, home economics, of Helena, Missouri; Dr. Mary Steinheimer, pediatrician, of Clockville, New York.

Dr. Steinheimer's parents were at one time missionaries in Nanking, China. Miss Mitchell's mother served as a missionary in Soochow. Miss Johannaber's uncle is a missionary in Kiukiang. Miss Heinsohn's parents also lived in China. Two of her aunts and one uncle were missionaries in China.

KOREA

Dr. J. S. Ryang, who was formerly president of the Christian Literature Society of Korea, and

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"BUILD THE GUILD"

Wesleyan Service Guild Fall Program, 1947-48

UNDER THE THREEFOLD SLOGAN of "Triple Membership, Guild Units and Service," the Wesleyan Service Guild launches a program designed to acquaint all employed women with the church organization created specifically for them!

In 1920, a trim and attractive blue-eyed blond of a girl was teaching retail employee training at Carnegie Tech in Pittsburgh. Nearly all of her spare time was devoted to work in the church, but she soon observed that church organizations were designed for homemakers whose hours were flexible.

About the same time in the Southern Methodist and Methodist Protestant Women's Societies there were beginning to be evening circles of businesswomen. Battle Creek, Michigan, and Anderson, Indiana, produced two outstanding churchwomen who recognized this discrepancy at a time when skirts were just beginning to supplement trousers behind typewriters, counters, and machines.

It was a "natural" that the enthusiasm of the three women—Mrs. Franklin H. Clapp, Miss Helen A. Wesp, and your founder secretary, Miss Marion Lela Norris combined with that of the foresighted Methodist Church to create the Wesleyan Service Guild. Organized as a part of the missionary societies originally, it has grown from 14 units with 326 members its first year (1921) to 3,203 units and 68,213 members in 1946.

Under the capable leadership of a founder whose vision has kept pace with an increasingly incredible world, the Guild program has expanded the content of its original fourfold program to be as modern and current as an atomic breeze.

"Promotion of World Brotherhood" replaces the "missionary" philosophy of twenty-five years ago.

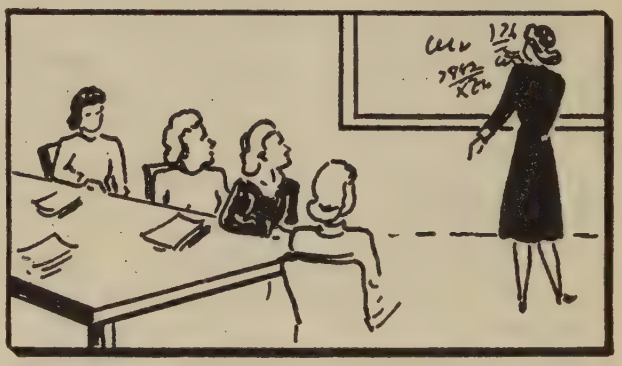
"Enrichment of Spiritual Life" is a goal which strives to preserve for the young modern all the consciousness of and respect for a Creator which was common to our more stable forefathers.

The third goal, "Promotion of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities" is a recognition that citizenship of community, nation, and world begins in the heart as a conviction of responsibility toward one's fellow men, and that the church is the legitimate "First Teacher" of that responsibility.

"Highest Use of Leisure Time" seeks to integrate all we have learned of the philosophy of creativity with a wholesome leisure-time program.

These goals the Wesleyan Service Guild is inviting all employed women to share. These ideals can be the contribution of women who work to the world they build.—ANNE GOULD, Program Consultant, Wesleyan Service Guild.

Industrial girl



Teacher

Stenographer

OCTOBER:

—Initiate Guild Expansion Program in each local church.

—Appoint committee to work with membership chairman.

—Annual Guest Dinner during first two weeks of October.

—Guild members form teams to call on prospective members first three Sundays of October, closing with Calling Team Tea the third Sunday.

—Week of Prayer and Self-Denial—October 25-31. Plan meeting with Woman's Society.

—October 26: Dedication Day Service. Use *Committed Unto Us,*[1] Lamott. Distribute leaflet, "Why Do They Do It?"[2]

NOVEMBER:

—Help start a Wesleyan Service Guild in a neighboring church.

—Recruit new members for your own Guild—in and out of the church.

—Co-operate with World Community Day, November 7. Programs from United Council of Church Women. (See page 32 for prices.)

—Overseas Relief Collection! *Goal:* to collect an average of twenty pounds of clothing and bedding per member to send overseas. Secure blue denim bag (free) from Church World Service, Inc., New Windsor, Maryland. No packing—no wrapping! Just tie and ship!

—Help women in the Woman's Society of Christian Service and in your community to clear out closets for overseas relief.

FEBRUARY:

—Interracial Month—an opportunity to put democracy to work! Plan for intercultural Guild meetings.

—February 8: *Race Relations Sunday.* Help your pastor in a community co-operative service involving races and cultures in your community.

—Use "We, the Peoples."[3]

—February 13: *World Day of Prayer.* Plan with other denominations for evening service of employed women.

MARCH:

—Lent is an opportunity to experience in some measure a selflessness characteristic of our Easter season. Assist in the local church Lenten and Easter program.

—March 28: Easter! Invite new Guild members and newcomers to go with Guild members to Easter Service, or other special services.

—*Great Prayers of the Bible,*[4] by Charles M. Laymon, with prayers from Moses to St. Paul, a fine reading and reference book, contains help for Spiritual Life secretary and for those leading worship services.

WSG TRIPLING OUR WAY

DECEMBER:

—Installation Service! Those new officers deserve your best efforts in anticipation of their services to be.

—Your Guild Projects are expecting seasonal supplies, and remember that a penciled inscription on a Christmas card can be erased, and the card re-used!

—Are you using *The Devotional Guide for Advent?* (3 cents from Commission on Evangelism, 289 Fourth Avenue, New York, N. Y.)

—A Guild Christmas Party? Or Christmas dinners for newcomers, one of the best ways to make them feel at home.

—Help your pastor and Sunday school in Christmas services.

JANUARY:

—You need to record and register those new Guild units. Remember?

—This is Guild Project Month.

Present projects at your regular annual pledge service.

—You might make use of the project drawings in the 1948 *Guild Handbook* (drawn by a clever Guild art teacher).

—Do Guild members see THE METHODIST WOMAN and WORLD OUTLOOK? This is a time to subscribe. (See prices, page 2, THE METHODIST WOMAN.

APRIL:

—Recognition Month for those who have made noteworthy contributions:

1. To your Guild programs.
2. To units which have organized one or more new units.
3. To those who brought new members.
4. To new Guild members themselves.
5. To new Guilds.
6. To Woman's Societies which started a new Guild, and to Woman's Society of Christian Service members who brought new members into the Guild.

—Mass meeting of all units in town, community, zone, or district.

MAY:

—Statistics are not most important, but they are important. Headquarters needs to know increases in membership, units, and service for: (1) local, (2) district, (3) conference, (4) jurisdiction.

—These results will be published in the 1948 *Summer Newsletter.*

—This is your opportunity for recognition on your Guild Expansion Program!

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[1] Order from Literature Headquarters, 420 Plum Street Cincinnati 2, Ohio. (Price, $1.00.)

[2] Order for free distribution from Literature Headquarters.

[3] Order from Literature Headquarters. (Price, 75 cents.)

[4] Order from Literature Headquarters. (Price, 45 cents.)

IF I WERE PRESIDENT . . . .

By **MRS. J. D. BRAGG**

I HAVE NEVER GROWN VERY EXCITED over persons who say rather glibly, "If I were president of that society I would do thus and so!" In most instances one is not sure what she would do unless really faced with a specific opportunity.

But as I think of this special membership emphasis of the Wesleyan Service Guild, I am constrained to dwell for a moment on what I would do if right now I were a president of a local Woman's Society of Christian Service. In the first place, the Guild membership emphasis would be made an "order of the day" in the earliest business meeting possible: all plans would be presented, with full discussion of the objectives and the support of the entire society would be secured. Then a special committee would be appointed to co-operate with the Guild, if there is already one, to give every assistance in reaching these splendid objectives. If there should not be a Guild, then this special committee would be charged and challenged with the task of seeing that the employed women of the church were gotten together as quickly as possible and organized into a Guild.

Why my enthusiasm? There are several reasons. First, I am "sold" on the entire program of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. I want to see every Methodist woman a part of it, sharing in the joy of the great sisterhood of service around the world. Knowing that there are thousands of employed women in the church who are not now members, I am eager to see that as quickly as possible they are informed on every phase of our work and given a chance to participate in same.

Second, there is a spiritual need in the life of every employed woman which can be met and strengthened by the Christian fellowship which exists in an effective organization of the Guild.

Third, the writer would feel that a personal debt was being repaid in a small measure, remembering that as a very young, employed woman, with every hour of the day filled with many duties, a president of a woman's missionary society took an interest in her. It was long before the days of the Guild, but that president insisted that the employed women of the church should be invited to a few meetings of the society, such meetings being held at an hour when they could attend. Now with the Guild specializing in the approach to employed women, it is no longer necessary for a society to change its regular routine, but only to see that the Guild be given an opportunity to function within the society and the church.

TO UNITE ALL WOMEN . . . .

By **MRS. CHARLES W. MEAD,** ***Chairman***

THE PURPOSE OF THE WOMAN'S SOCIETY is "to unite all the women of the church in Christian living and service." The society, therefore, should include as members *all* of the women of The Methodist Church and of its constituency. Fully one-third of the women of the church are gainfully employed. For them the Guild was organized and has proved so popular and helpful. It's present membership is over 70,000. In 1946, it's contribution to the world-wide missionary program of the Board of Missions of The Methodist Church through the Woman's Division was $235,878.95; to community projects and local church activities the Guild gave $152,304.11.

Less tangible, but even more important benefits, are those of spiritual growth of the members, the strengthening of ties between the employed women and the church, and the increased awareness of the mighty force which employed women can be in bringing the spirit of the living and loving Christ to a troubled and sin-sick world.

Recruits from Guild members are now serving as missionaries at home and abroad. Already trained and experienced, the Guild member frequently can be enlisted for immediate service as a full-time Christian worker.

But the Guild is not content with these accomplishments. With the enthusiastic approval of the Woman's Division of Christian Service, it has undertaken to triple the number of members, Guilds, and service, including giving, of the gainfully employed women of Methodism by May, 1948.

With the active co-operation of the officers and members in jurisdiction, conference, district, and local societies, that goal can be reached.

If there is no Guild in your church, you can start one by interesting a half dozen employed women.

If there is a Guild in your church:

1. Survey church and Guild membership to be sure *all* employed women are reached.

2. Organize a second or third unit if more can be reached and enlisted by this means.

3. Reach out to other types of workers—the women in industry, the maid in the home, to the very young girl who is holding her first job.

It is a thrilling challenge—a wonderful opportunity! Even more important is the knowledge that in such effort we are helping to bring in the Kingdom of God.

FOREIGN NEWS FLASHES

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who acted as property custodian until the time of the reorganization of the society in May, 1947, says in his report: "Since 1942, our Korean people have not had any Christian literature. So after the liberation, nearly all of our books became 'Best Sellers' and we have sold them like 'hot cakes.' There are very few copies of books left in our stockroom. The total number of books sold, including hymns and tracts since October, 1945, amounted to 228,568 copies. We have been compelled to 'ration' our hymnbooks."

MALAYA

The June Executive of the Woman's Division approved the plans for the Methodist Girls' School, Kuala Lumpur, Malaya, just received from Miss Mabel Marsh. This building had been contemplated for some years before the war, and considerable funds and pledges were in hand by December, 1941. It is good to know that when Miss Marsh returned she was able to pick up where she left off. Not only has the cash been received, but many pledges have been paid, and the government has made a generous grant. This accounts for more than three-fourths of the total cost of the building, estimated at $271,000.

The architect's plans call for a two-story building of parallel sections, joined by an assembly hall. The front section will contain eight classrooms on each floor and the rear section four on each floor. There is also provision for a library and a domestic science room, and—if funds permit—a drill hall or gymnasium. The whole is enclosed by wide verandas.

The Division has voted to include this project among those for which larger gifts may be sought from individuals.

SUMATRA

Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Klaus (June Redinger) are settled in Medan, and have reopened the Girls' School, admitting both girls and boys. There is much repairing to be done, for which the Crusade provides the funds. The pupils are largely Chinese. A new Woman's Division missionary for the school is greatly needed.

INDIA

New Church in Lahore, Punjab. Dorothy Beardon writes: "We are rejoicing over the acquisition of land in Lahore Contonment for a church. I was out there for a Sunday-school festival and was thrilled at the appearance of the Sunday-school boys and girls. There is some good work being done there already, which will be increased in the future. The plan is to build the parsonage first, then a community building, and after that a beautiful sanctuary. Worship services, community meetings, and Sunday school will be held in the community building until enough money can be secured to build a really lovely church. Here is a real opportunity for working out a well-rounded program of religious education."

AFRICA

Bishop and Mrs. Robert N. Brooks have accompanied Bishop and Mrs. Newell Booth as they have traveled throughout the Elisabethville area holding annual conference meetings. Africans and missionaries are unanimous in their appreciation of the visit. In many places the churches have been packed to overflowing with great groups outside seeking to see and to hear. Mrs. Brooks has been particularly helpful to the women, an inspiration to them both in their organizational work and their personal lives.

Southern Congo Conference, Elisabethville. The building for work with women was completed in late autumn. From the middle of September until the first of February 520 women registered for classes in machine sewing, hand sewing, knitting, and cooking. In the afternoons the women who wanted classes in the three R's were provided with women teachers. More than eighty took advantage of this opportunity. The schoolgirls used the home economics building in the afternoon. Miss Parham and Miss Montgomery discovered that during the history of the school in Elisabethville only one girl had finished the fifth class and that of the 124 now enrolled only four were in classes above the first and second grades. Only three of the total enrollment were members of the church with three more in the preparatory class for church membership.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA

Mrs. Martha F. Vancura Vaclav, secretary of the Czech Woman's Society, has sent the following report: Number of Woman's Societies of Christian Service, 23; membership, 408; total income, Kc., 49,263; for missions, Kc., 10,081. She writes: "I wish you would express the Czechoslovak women's thanks to all the American Woman's Societies of Christian Service who have sent us lovely clothing and food when we most needed it. May God richly bless that noble land of liberty for its sacrificial gifts of love, and may America always be the land of Promise and Abundance."

"The Individual Customer"

By MRS. WALTER J. OTT*

In Dr. Ralph W. Sockman's book, *The Fine Art of Using,* is this phrase, "We want to manufacture brotherhood wholesale, but we cannot bother with individual customers."

In the Western Jurisdiction the Department of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities does very well with the wholesale part. We know this because reports and letters bring proof that study is followed by action. State legislatures have been told of our disapproval of legalized horse racing. County commissioners know our opinion on the granting of licenses for selling alcoholic beverages. Many of the Japanese people who were scattered over our western states during the war have returned to the Pacific coast states. Our reports tell us that they are being more graciously welcomed back than some of us had faith to hope would happen.

There remains much more to be done in all of these ventures in "wholesale" projects, and there is no suggestion of lessening our alertness to them.

There is another most important part of our Christian Social Relations. May I call it our dealing with the "individual customers." Some stories of my personal experiences and observations may explain the thought.

I remember this instance: A clubwoman had rendered service for which she merited the thanks of the organization. The token of appreciation was accompanied by a note. In her opinion the expression of thanks was not as pretentious or otherwise as worthy as she felt her services deserved. She expressed her displeasure with these words, "You have treated me no better than you would treat a Mexican." That statement plainly made known her race prejudice.

In a western railroad station two women and a man, all strangers to each other, sat crowded together waiting for their trains. Among the throngs moving about were a few Negro people—some families, parents holding the hands of two or three small children. The man suddenly exclaimed, "I can't take this." The two women were startled by his abrupt speech, and although they said nothing, their faces showed that they were curious to know what it was he could not take. As if in answer to a spoken question, he said, "These black people running around in here." To this one woman said, "They are orderly and disturbing no one." The man answered, "They should learn to stay where they belong." Here again a brief statement revealed a personal attitude.

Perhaps the people in these two stories were unimportant people with selfish, narrow minds. Yet certainly every person has his own sphere of influence and must be responsible for the ill effect such utterances may have.

Two more observations with happier consequences: It was a few minutes before the eleven-o'clock Sunday morning service. The ushers were busily leading church-goers down the aisles and handing out the bulletin with a smile. There came in a man. He wore blue jeans, colored shirt open at the neck, and a sheepskin coat. People who dress in this fashion do not come to our church —would that they did. The man stopped just inside the door and looked about; the usher approached him. Would he be pushed into a back seat under the balcony? He was unusual in appearance; but no, that usher led him boldly down to a comfortable, well-located pew. That was handing out brotherhood to an individual customer.

This last story was told me by a friend, the wife of the farmer in the story. A family of Spanish-Americans came regularly for many summers to work in the fields of a Colorado farmer. After sixteen years the older children had gone out to work for themselves and the family remained in their native town in New Mexico. The farmer and his wife, driving through New Mexico, came to the town which they knew to be the home of their former workers. When they found the home of the Spanish family, it was noon, the children were coming from school. One little boy, now about twelve years old, saw the farmer and came running to the car. He called out a glad greeting and stood gazing with joy shining in his dark eyes and so filled with emotion that he could not speak. So it was with every member of the family. They were so glad and happy that they were being sought out by their friends.

So may we all in our study and action not forget to deal as Christians with the "individual customers." Every Methodist woman has a responsibility in her own community as she deals with individuals.

*Western Jurisdiction Secretary of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities.

*"If I Were on the Nominating Committee"

By THELMA STEVENS, *Executive Secretary*

IF I WERE CHAIRMAN of the Nominating Committee of Mrs. Average Local Woman's Society or Wesleyan Service Guild, searching for a *new secretary of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities,* I would do some of the following things:

First, I would call my committee together several months before nominations had to be presented to the Woman's Society or Guild. We would list some of the necessary qualifications for the officer. Then we would begin our search for women who more nearly measured up to these requirements. We would need to look for some of the following qualifications for a secretary of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities:

1. She should have a deep, active concern for the broad program of the Woman's Society in its local church and community outreach and in its ministry to people around the world. Such a concern must stem from a conviction that the *spiritual resources of the Christian message should permeate all of life,* and relate the church to the needs of all people, wherever they are found.

2. She should have a *working acquaintance* with agencies at work in her community. Such agencies may include the Y.W.C.A., the League of Women Voters, The Woman's Club, the Red Cross, the Farm Bureau, the Grange, Trade Unions, Welfare Agencies, P.T.A., National Urban League, Community Centers and Settlements, and others. She should recognize the importance of guiding churchwomen to work increasingly with such agencies in meeting the needs of all peoples of the community.

3. She should be sensitive to causes of group tensions in the community life, and alert to changing needs. As a representative of the Christian church, she should be in the vanguard of leaders, who are working to build justice, equality, and understanding into the life of the community. She should have *initiative* and the *tact* necessary to insure the co-operation of her constituency in studying issues about which there may be divergent views. She should *not* be a "cause crusader"! But she should act with courage and conviction in the light of the facts in hand.

4. She should be willing to *take time to study* the broad field for action, as indicated by the program of the Department of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities. She should know how *to select wisely the specific needs* that should concern her local society and bring to the society timely facts and guidance for action.

5. She should be able to work with her committee on Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities and make each member recognize the importance of her own job as a committee member. In some societies, it may be necessary to have subcommittees to meet the needs of the local church and community or work on special community action programs. The good secretary will know how to allocate wisely the responsibilities falling to this important committee of the Woman's Society. She will also know how to integrate the work of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities into the total program of the Woman's Society. Her obligation at this point can be best implemented through her activity on the *Program Committee,* the *Study and Action Committee,* and the *Finance Committee* of the local society.

6. She should be *dependable, co-operative,* and able to "sell" her ideas! She should be able to plan *systematically* and *evaluate* the results of effort.

If I were on the Nominating Committee I would seek out the person in my local society, who most nearly qualified on these six points—but I would tell her that an *enthusiastic devotion to the task of learning her job was the greatest asset a secretary could have.*

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NORTH CENTRAL JURISDICTION WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE

The seventh Annual Meeting of the North Central Jurisdiction Woman's Society of Christian Service will be held in the First University Church, Madison, Wisconsin, November 4-7, 1947. Dr. Merle Abbey is the pastor of the host church, and Mrs. C. W. Vaughn is chairman of local arrangements. The general sessions, which will open at 9 A.M. on Wednesday and close at noon on Friday, will be preceded by a World Federation dinner Tuesday evening for delegates, missionaries, deaconesses, and visitors. The Deaconess Association will convene in the city on Monday, November 3.

Speakers at the annual meeting of the Woman's Society will include Mrs. J. D. Bragg, Dr. Roy L. Smith, Miss Helen Johnson, Mrs. Ruth Long, Mrs. Eloise Woolever, Dr. Edmund Soper, and Harold A. Ehrensperger.

INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF NURSES

By **ANNE HERBERT**

NURSES FROM THIRTY-THREE COUNTRIES met in Atlantic City, New Jersey, on Florence Nightingale's birthday, May 12, 1947. The occasion was the first postwar Congress of the International Council of Nurses.

The council was organized in 1899 with headquarters in Geneva. Later it was moved to London, and at the onset of World War II to New York City. The aim of the International Council of Nurses is to lift standards of nursing ever higher in all countries, to help with the great task of world health, and to make of nurses better individuals and better world citizens. This was the ninth congress held since its beginning, and the second in the United States. Nurses came from Europe, Asia, South America, and South Africa, 6,500 strong, including the large body of nurses from the United States and Canada.

The program was conducted in English all the way through, nurses from other countries often in the chair. Groups met in sections according to that particular interest. The Westminster Choir and the Philadelphia Festival Orchestra furnished part of the pleasure given these nurses from far and near.

Following the congress many of the nurses from abroad were entertained by large schools of nursing and hospitals in the East. Teachers' College, Columbia University, offered a course of two weeks of lectures on American trends in nursing and observation of methods in the hospitals of New York City. Toronto University, Toronto, Canada, offered similar advantages for another two weeks.

It was particularly fitting that at this time, so soon after the war, American nurses should be hostesses to these colleagues from across the sea, many of whom have taken active part in the alleviation of suffering during the past years of war and have suffered much themselves.

This picture taken under the portrait of Florence Nightingale, flanked with colorful flags of many countries, shows five nurses who are graduates of our Shanghai Union School of Nursing at the Margaret Williamson Hospital, Shanghai, China. In the center is Miss Tsu-Hwa Chang, one of the official delegates, and the director of nurses who has held things together in the nursing service and school throughout the war years. Four of these nurses are graduates of Methodist High Schools — Rulison and Baldwin Girls' Schools. These were a part of the delegation of twenty or more Chinese nurses in Atlantic City who are now in this country for study and further experience in nursing in various fields.

Nurses from Margaret Williamson Hospital, Shanghai, China, in attendance International Council of Nurses, Atlantic City, New Jersey

Reading from left to right, those in the picture are Chen-Yu Nieh, Chong-Yun Mau, Anne Herbert, Tsu-Hwa Chang, Elizabeth Pollock, Chin-Tsun Tong, and Wei-Chen Choung. The two American nurses are representatives at Margaret Williamson Hospital of the Board of Missions and Church Extension of The Methodist Church and of the Woman's Union Missionary Society of the United States.

WORLD-WIDE COMMUNITY SUNDAY

October fifth is World-Wide Communion Sunday. As the earth turns on its orbit, at each hour of the twenty-four, there will be some group of Christians at the Lord's Table. They will do this in remembrance of a time when thirteen men met together in an upper room for communion with their Lord.

Eleven men left that room to preach a gospel that must have seemed as strange and harsh and magnificent then as it does now. "Ye shall love one another as I have loved you," was Christ's message to them.

Today, faced with the ruins and chasms of this human world, Christians can only draw together again and try to recapture the unity of that early communion.

This is the last World-Wide Communion before the World Assembly of Churches to be held in Holland in 1948. Christians will see the spirit of the World-Wide Communion fellowship given body and substance as the representatives of churches throughout the world sit down together to take counsel on "Man's Disorder and God's Design."

Official United Nations photo

PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS FOR NOVEMBER "AN ORDERLY WORLD FOR CHILDREN"

By
MRS. H. W. B. DETWILER

DURING THE DAYS of the Northeastern Jurisdiction School of Missions, a group of the women taking the course on "Program Building" worked out suggestions for the November meeting. Mrs. John Pearson, vice-president of the Jurisdiction, and Mrs. James K. Mawha, vice-president of Newark Conference, directed the work of this particular committee. It is with real delight that we present the following well-ordered program:

You may be interested to note that thirty women were assigned to work out in detail all the aspects of the November meeting. Some twelve conferences were represented in the thinking of the group.

I. INVITATION. Two posters for the church bulletin board.

First poster: Paste pictures of babies crying; print the following—Have They Reason to Weep? Panel Discussion—date—time—place. Topic—"An Orderly World for Children."

Second poster: Paste picture of a newborn babe, with doctor and nurse; underneath print the following—Born to What? (Same information as on first poster.)

II. ATMOSPHERE. A worship center. Soft, baby-blue material crushed gracefully on the table with tiny brass candlesticks and a miniature of Hofman's "Boy Christ."

III. PROCEDURE. (We assumed that an announcement had been made the month before that used clothing, school and recreation supplies would be received at the church before the day of the November meeting. This would provide a project for those women who like a practical task in helping in the relief of war-ravaged countries.)

10 A. M.—Sewing group to repair and renovate used articles for relief.

12:30 P. M.—Sacrificial luncheon: vegetable soup and bread (without butter) eaten Continental style. (Leaflet, *A Sacrificial Meal,* by Margaret Applegarth, may be secured at Literature Headquarters for 5 cents.)

1:30 P. M.—Devotions.

2 P. M.—Panel discussion. Leader outlines objectives as given in *Program Material, 1947,** November meeting. Panel speakers: (1) On material needs of world's children; experiences on community level, etc. (2) On Methodist Committee for Overseas Relief and also World Community Day. (3) On the United Nations setup for eventual relief. (4) On contact with the United Nations Church Activities (2, 3, and 4 may be combined in one speech). (5) On spiritual needs of children in the community; integration of personality, etc. (6) On Weekday Religious Instruction. (7) On needs of the church school in Crusade goal for 1948. (Miss Van Hooser tells us we have need for 225,000 new teachers and 13,000 trained secretaries.) (8) On needs of some Methodist home or school for children. (9) On Goodwill Industry camps. A question period is followed with a summary by the leader.

At the close of the program, a vote may be taken on the allocation of funds given at the sacrificial meal.

There are many other ways of approaching this program. Several of the women have suggested the following concerns: (1) Children, like men, should "not live by bread alone." (2) Concern for well-rounded personality. (3) Concern for better Christian training in the lives of boys and girls before the age of twelve.

An illustration of what can be done was also given: Weekday Religious Education in Ridgeway, Pennsylvania. Realizing the need for more religious training, women from the churches of the city served as teachers in weekday religious education schools sponsored by the ministerial association. The school was supervised by the ministers and the superintendent of the public schools. Nine churches participated, with an enrollment of ninety-seven per cent of the public school pupils. Pupils from grades two to six, inclusive, came on released time during the whole school term."

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ORGANIZATION AND PROMOTION

By ELOISE A. WOOLEVER, *Executive Secretary, Woman's Section of the Joint Division*

CHOOSING THE RIGHT OFFICERS

THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE has an important task—one might almost say a *decisive* task, for upon the officers depends almost entirely the successful carrying on of the program of the Woman's Society.

The chairman of one Nominating Committee, realizing the responsibility of choosing the right officers, asked her committee to meet at her home. (Incidentally, she invited them to a simple luncheon.) Then before they made out their list of prospective officers she read from *The Guide* the duties of each officer. With the definite knowledge of what each office entailed and with prayer for guidance, the members made their choices.

Can you think what effect it would have on the one approached to be told, "Our committee read carefully the duties of this office and we came to the conclusion that *you* were the one that could best fill it." Would that not be much more effective and more honest than to be cajoled with, "Oh, it won't take much of your time or effort"? Who wants to be asked to be an officer when it is rated as so unimportant that it "won't take much time or effort"? Every office if rightly filled *will* take time and effort and ability. And it is an honor to be thought worthy to qualify. The Nominating Committee should magnify the office, not minimize it. It is hoped, therefore, that the Nominating Committee will call together the committee several months before nominations have to be presented to the Woman's Society of Christian Service in order that the most carefully selected persons may be selected for office.

HERE AND THERE

From Mrs. W. B. Landrum, Field Worker of the Woman's Division of Christian Service, who has been itinerating in South Central Jurisdiction, come these two stories of one place she visited:

"In North Arkansas, I went from Clinton down the highway in a red jeep with Miss Ferguson, the deaconess, to talk to a new society just three meetings old. They were to have their pledge service. Our destination was Damascus. I talked to them about the obligations of membership in the Woman's Society, and then the work of our organization at home and abroad. When I had finished one of the members said that she was opposed to any of the money going from their society until they had built their new church.

"The president spoke up and said, 'I don't want to be president of our Woman's Society of Christian Service unless we are a part of the district, the North Arkansas Conference, the South Central Jurisdiction, and the Woman's Division of the Board of Missions and Church Extension of The Methodist Church.' I had missionary goose bumps at the knowledge that new president had of our connectionalism! The deaconess scored when she said, 'I know we need our new church, but we are expecting to receive $500 from the Board of Church Extension because there are people in our church who are willing to share with others.' I had to go then and take a bus to another place, but later the letter came telling me that all but two of the fourteen members did pledge and one who did not pledge gave a contribution.

"While I was waiting for the bus, at a filling station and neat-as-a-pin cafe in conjunction, the owner of the place said, 'You are the missionary lady who was with Miss Ferguson in the jeep, weren't you?' I said I was. Then he told me of his experiences in a jeep, but first said, 'We're going to build a Methodist Church in Damascus.' I told him I had seen the site of the church and knew they were to have Easter services at the place. I told him that I knew he would be proud of *his* church, and he said, 'Oh, it's not my church. I'm a Baptist, but I figured what helped Damascus would help me.' Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities plus!

"I asked him where he served during the war and he said, 'On Okinawa and beyond.' I had just read that beautiful brochure, *West of Okinawa*, so I said, 'China, Japan, and Korea,' and he said, 'Yes, and I looked up every bit of missionary work I could find.' I asked him if he saw Seoul, Korea, and with that he dove under the counter and came up with a box of more than a thousand pictures he had taken, and in a special pile were those of Korea and our Ewha College. I wished for seven-league boots to take me back to the new society, so as to tell them this *added* chapter of a young man in their community who had found the church THERE because of what the church HERE had done. It would have strengthened that president and the other members who saw not only the needs of their local church but beyond."

MISSIONARY EDUCATION

By **LILLA MILLS**, *Secretary*

Suggested Guidance for the Study of the Course "PRAYER"

By **HENRY M. BULLOCK**

THE INSPIRATION OF THE BIBLE is never so real for us as when we study the sacred writings for ourselves. It is my belief that if those who take the Bible study will actually read the biblical materials and study Professor Laymon's *Great Prayers of the Bible* for themselves, they will experience leading and inspiration from God in their lives.

Sometimes the study books are regarded as "program materials" mainly for leaders or teachers, rather than as guides to be actually used by members themselves in their own study. Classes which take the Bible study for "Jurisdictional Recognition" in which the members actually study the book themselves and participate freely in the class, will of course receive the greater benefit.

Purpose of the Course. We should seek to help each member (1) To understand more fully the meaning and value of prayer; (2) to analyze the prayers of the Bible to discover how they reveal man's ever-expanding idea of God and religion; (3) to discover the secret of Jesus' prayer life, and to develop better ways of praying; (4) to profit from the recorded prayer experiences of New Testament Christians; (5) to find prayer a means of developing a deeper spiritual experience and to lead to more effective Christian service and more thoroughly Christian motives in life.

Text Materials are *The Bible,* and *Great Prayers of the Bible,*[1] by Charles M. Laymon (45 cents).

Resource Materials. Everyone who is to teach this course would receive great help from the personal use of Dr. Fosdick's great devotional classic, *The Meaning of Prayer*[2] ($1.00) during several weeks before the study begins. She would also be stimulated by Dr. A. K. Chalmers' *The Commonplace Prodigal,*[2] and Dr. F. C. Laubach's *Prayer: the Mightiest Force in the World.*[2] As she prepared for her work she will of course purchase Mrs. Helen B. Bourne's, *A Guide for the Study of Great Prayers of the Bible*[1] (10 cents). For general background the following books would also be helpful: Buttrick—*Prayer;*[2] Powell—*Guiding the Experience of Worship;*[2] Paulsen—*The Church School and Worship;*[2] Scott—*The Religion of the Lord's Prayer;*[2] Steere—*Prayer and Worship;*[2] Strong—*Jesus, The Man of Prayer;*[2] Weatherhead—*The Will of God;*[2] Wyon—*The School of Prayer.*[2]

Creating Interest. The success of the study may be greatly affected by attitudes generated before the class begins. There could be a public program, or a five-minute "spot" in a program or business meeting, carefully prepared to intrigue members with Bible study and particularly with a fresh approach to prayer. For instance, a thumbnail review of some ideas or illustrations from either Laubach's or Chalmers' books above-mentioned, could serve to create a sense of need for thinking more carefully about Bible teaching on prayer.

Have books distributed a week before first class meets, and ask members to read all of the first seventeen pages before they come to class.

SESSION 1. *The Prayers of the Patriarchs and* Moses. Emphasize the fact that the Bible properly studied gives us *a progressive or unfolding revelation* of the character of God, and shows us that *God takes men where He finds them and leads them upward.* Let it be explained that the writings are not arranged in the Bible in the order of their dates, and hence we need the guidance of books like our text to lead us into an understanding of how prayer has developed through the ages until through Jesus it became Christian prayer. Dr. Laymon deals with this theme on pages IX and X.

Have a few minutes' general discussion or a report on the naturalness of prayer, what prayer is and what it is not. Chapter I of Dr. Fosdick's *The Meaning of Prayer* would help on this.

Then Chapter I of the textbook should be presented by some method which will include the actual reading aloud of the prayers studied, and the discussion of those items from "Helps for Study" at the end of the chapter which the leader feels best suited to the particular group.

SESSION 2.. *The Prayers of the Kings and Proph-*

[1] Obtainable from Literature Headquarters, 420 Plum Street, Cincinnati 2, Ohio, and Distributing Offices.

[2] Obtainable from The Methodist Publishing House which serves your area.

ets. Assignments should be made at the previous session to individuals or committees to study and report on the prayers of David, Solomon, Elijah, Elisha, Isaiah, and Jeremiah. What were the motives of these prayers? What did these men pray for? Were their prayers nationalistic in a bad sense? Were they always answered according to the desires of those praying?

After the presentation or reports and discussion following each, let the group suggest thoughts that should enter into our prayers for our own nation, with regard to both its internal righteousness, and its world responsibilities through missions and through the United Nations. The class might well close with silent prayer along these lines, or with a prayer led by some member which would bring together the thoughts suggested by the group.

SESSION 3. *The Prayers of the Psalmists.* Appreciation of these great prayers would be increased if attention were called to the fact that the Book of Psalms is the hymnbook of the Hebrews, and like other hymnbooks, contains songs written by different people, at widely different times, and with varying religious viewpoints. As the lesson is taught, either by reports or by the leader, let the members participate with *brief* personal experiences of their own lives when God has stirred them to high moments of worship through nature, Scripture, and public worship.

SESSION 4. *The Prayers of Jesus.* From Jesus' teaching and practice we receive the most important guidance for our own prayer life. After introduction illustrating that Jesus prayed constantly and with confidence in God's loving response, have someone report on Section III, "When Jesus Prayed," showing how frequently his prayers were battlegrounds on which were decided the great issues of his life.

In presenting Section IV, "The Prayers of Jesus," give adequate time to the Lord's Prayer, which is not only a prayer, but a lesson in prayer.

SESSION 5. *The Prayers of the Early Church.* Most of the prayers studied in this chapter deal with the struggle of early Christians to believe the whole radical new approach to life and God which Jesus revealed, and to proclaim that Way with boldness everywhere. Emphasize that the experience of the Holy Spirit came to people who, although imperfect and prejudice-ridden, were confident, constant, and expectant in their praying. Moreover, their *praying* led them to *doing!* As we study the prayers of the first witnesses (Section II), what similar needs for boldness, persistence, a forgiving spirit, and liberation from prejudices, do we find in our present-day witnessing for Christ?

SESSION 6. *The Prayers of Paul.* In the presentation of this lesson, use some method to bring out clearly the various things for which Paul prayed. After the presentation, have someone prepared to make a brief report showing how radically more vital the prayers of Paul are than the prayers of the Old Testament. "Helps" Nos. 1, 2, 3, 5, 6 will give assistance in making this report.

Write a prayer for your church such as Paul might pray for the church today.

NOTE: This study will be done to best advantage in six one-hour sessions, but where that cannot be arranged, the following plan for four sessions of an hour and a half each is suggested: Session 1—Introduction and Chapter I. Session 2—Chapters II and III. Session 3—Chapter IV. Session 4—Chapters V and VI.

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THE "REGIONALS" INSPIRE AND TRAIN STUDENT LEADERS

By **MRS. MYRON S. COLLINS,** *Secretary of Student Work, Northeastern Jurisdiction*

THOUGH DISCONTINUED during the war and with but three held last year, in June, 1947, there were five Regional Student Leadership Training Conferences—from California to New Jersey—under the auspices of the Student Department of the General Board of Education. Co-operating with the Student secretaries of that Board—the "3 H's," H. D. Bollinger, Harvey Brown, and Harold Ehrensperger—were the Student secretaries of the Board of Missions, Miss Dorothy Nyland and Caxton Doggett. At these conferences on the theme, "God and the Day's Work," hundreds of Methodist students attended seminars on "The Christian Student's Theology," "God and the Day's Work," "How to Read the Bible," and "Christianity's Challege to Our Culture."

In the afternoons a workshop was held for counselors, in which jurisdiction, conference, and campus secretaries of the Woman's Society of Christian Service joined. Another was for Student officers and a third for campus chairmen of the Commission on the World Christian Community. Here

tudents were introduced to the current missionary ooks, such as *New World Ahead,** by David D. Baker (75 cents); *We, The Peoples** (15 cents); nd others. (See list in THE METHODIST WOMAN, June, 1947, page 23.) They discussed how they night help to build the World Christian Commuity, beginning on their own campus. The presence t the Northeastern Regional of several Crusade cholars and other students from China, India, and Greece, also a Negro student, provided unusual pportunities for wider Christian fellowship, and ostered better interracial understanding.

At the end of the week at the Pemberton, New Jersey, Conference, one girl said: "I was particularly impressed with our previous lack of worldmindness, but through the leaders we have learned of the great needs of the people of other countries. Our responsibility is not to let the enthusiasm aroused here die down, but to devote ourselves to ideals of service."

Another said: "Our complacency *must* be overcome! We are supposed to be mature Christians on our campuses—and everywhere. We must try to get others to take part in drives for relief funds, food, and clothing."

The group had already demonstrated its concern for young people abroad by partaking of a "meager meal" (a small boiled potato, a slice of bread with no butter, and a glass of water), and giving $161.00 for student relief overseas.

The emphasis on vocations resulted in serious consideration of the lifework by many students. At the Northeastern Regional, nearly one-third of the students indicated their desire to enter full-time Christian service. One girl said: "I was impressed by the need for Christian workers. I heard it from the speakers and saw it in the movies that were shown. Formerly I heard a whisper; now a louder voice speaks to me."

Perhaps the effect of the "Regionals" could be summed up in the words of one student: "Formerly I thought of religion as just for *myself;* now I think of *others.*"

Invite the students and the Student secretaries to tell of their experiences in your Woman's Society of Christian Service.

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CHILDREN BEGIN A NEW YEAR

By **RUBY VAN HOOSER,**
Secretary of Children's Work

WITH THE COMING OF FALL, once again a new year has begun for children. Vigorous and tanned from vacation, they may be seen early each weekday morning on their way to school where the world in which they live is waiting to open up before them. On Sunday many of them are going to the church school, entering upon work in a new grade or perhaps with a new group. Fresh experiences may await them there —experiences of study and play, of wonder and worship, of fellowship and service. Certainly, careful preparation has been made for their coming. In every community the home, the school, and the church are very much aware that a new year has begun for boys and girls.

What Will the Year Bring?

Facing this fact, the important question is, *What will the year mean in the life of each individual child?* Will it bring free and joyous development, or will it bring the reverse? Can parents and the teachers in school and church understand some of the simple, basic needs of children which, when met, seem to release all the forces within them for glad and wholesome growth?

Needs of Children

Speaking at the last meeting of the Association for Childhood Education, Dr. Howard Lane, of New York University, urged that parents and teachers recognize the importance of these deep-seated needs of childhood, and that they try to see that they are met in everyday life—when the boys and girls are at home, at school, or attending the church school. Said Dr. Lane:

> First of all, *a child needs friends*—people who like him and love him for himself. Second, *he needs to have self-respect*—to be the kind of person who can think well of himself. Third, *a child needs to have a sense of freedom* —to have provided for him the kind of environment in which he can think freely, and in which he can generate his own thoughts. Fourth, *a child needs to have respect for authority, not fear.* This cannot be demanded from a boy or girl. It must be earned. Fifth, *the child needs to have fun*—to be able to run, to jump, to dig into the ground, to be as active as he wishes to be. Six, *a child needs to do something worth while.*

These are the things that each child needs. If, as parents, teachers, and leaders, we can help him have these things, we will find him growing up to be a friendly, responsible, helpful person who will try to make a friendly world. *One generation of children so treated,* said Dr. Lane, *will make the earth a different place.*

Shall we as Christian workers with children, bear these things in mind during the twelve months ahead, practice them in our contacts with boys and girls, and help to make them better known to others who also deal with children? If so, a new year for them will indeed have begun.

FINANCIAL CONFERENCE REPORT F

WOMAN'S DIVISION OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE—BOARD OF MISS

Henrietta Gil

Jurisdiction	CONFERENCE INCOME ON APPROPRIATIONS BY DEPARTMENTS							
	Adult	W. S. G.	Paid on Pledge 1947	Total Pledged 1947	Student	Youth	Children	Total Appropri 194
North Central:								
Dakota	$ 6,594.27	$ 463.53	$ 7,057.80	$ 12,500.00	.....	$ 426.67	$ 48.25	$ 7,5
Detroit	45,212.66	1,856.62	47,069.28	75,550.00	.....	2,961.01	294.96	50,3
Illinois	54,142.41	2,360.59	56,503.00	90,000.00	.....	2,697.73	510.32	59,7
Indiana	38,286.31	2,843.16	41,129.47	63,500.00	.....	1,655.00	839.84	43,6
Iowa-Des Moines	33,393.64	1,565.98	34,959.62	60,000.00	.....	3,550.28	171.75	38,6
Michigan	30,118.11	2,035.76	32,153.87	56,300.00	.....	2,566.82	529.67	35,2
Minnesota	16,919.95	846.00	17,765.95	26,000.00	.....	572.37	129.89	18,4
North Dakota	7,579.80	189.65	7,769.45	9,264.00	.....	245.00	124.91	8,1
North Indiana	36,082.57	1,455.75	37,538.32	55,000.00	.....	2,978.68	671.67	41,1
North-East Ohio	65,638.96	2,802.65	68,441.61	126,710.00	.....	1,837.95	1,021.79	71,3
Northern Minnesota	16,718.98	1,604.11	18,323.09	27,000.00	.....	780.00	344.96	19,4
Northwest Indiana	19,421.89	704.10	20,125.99	32,398.00	.....	2,340.00	329.07	22,7
Northwest Iowa	19,455.30	828.70	20,284.00	27,300.00	.....	477.50	103.98	20,8
Ohio	82,598.05	3,763.00	86,361.05	157,500.00	.....	5,224.00	1,135.00	92,7
Rock River	59,057.68	3,672.55	62,730.23	96,460.00	.....	2,915.00	682.39	66,3
Southern Illinois	16,122.11	1,433.00	17,555.11	27,000.00	.....	1,115.63	245.47	18,9
Upper Iowa	20,287.02	576.50	20,863.52	33,000.00	.....	1,041.44	311.46	22,2
West Wisconsin	9,978.00	634.65	10,612.65	15,600.00	.....	620.25	24.00	11,2
Wisconsin	13,678.48	396.05	14,074.53	25,345.00	$25.00	706.48	151.09	14,9
Total	591,286.19	30,032.35	621,318.54	1,016,427.00	25.00	34,711.81	7,670.47	663,7
Northeastern:								
Baltimore	52,507.80	1,460.07	53,967.87	80,000.00	.....	1,732.16	158.72	55,8
Central New York	17,652.50	410.19	18,062.69	37,000.00	.....	998.25	307.68	19,3
Central Pennsylvania	19,773.14	310.95	20,084.09	40,000.00	.....	1,433.00	77.12	21,5
Erie	22,417.53	400.51	22,818.04	49,000.00	.....	579.47	234.92	23,6
Genesee	22,528.43	611.98	23,140.41	42,000.00	.....	544.70	175.09	23,8
Maine	4,055.76	.....	4,055.76	6,600.00	.....	39.00	29.08	4,1
Newark	25,106.70	1,080.80	26,187.50	48,000.00	.....	375.55	335.75	26,8
New England	11,463.73	141.30	11,605.03	26,500.00	5.00	375.05	102.34	12,0
New England Southern	9,363.73	15.00	9,378.73	17,000.00	.....	408.88	1.20	9,7
New Hampshire	2,522.72	181.50	2,704.22	5,000.00	.....	17.50	89.01	2,8
New Jersey	21,215.60	408.28	21,623.88	36,008.00	.....	285.54	144.83	22,0
New York	14,884.85	1,037.30	15,922.15	29,100.00	.....	164.40	81.63	16,1
New York East	21,119.96	1,146.55	22,266.51	39,850.00	.....	344.00	86.24	22,6
Northern New York	7,736.40	168.00	7,904.40	22,000.00	.....	310.01	67.92	8,2
Peninsula	15,832.54	27.66	15,860.20	26,000.00	.....	1,010.50	150.23	17,0
Philadelphia	27,818.31	1,278.79	29,097.10	61,000.00	.....	1,969.64	291.18	31,3
Pittsburgh	41,456.66	550.35	42,007.01	76,000.00	.....	3,119.95	444.80	45,5
Troy	16,575.50	477.84	17,053.34	35,000.00	.....	271.09	39.42	17,3
West Virginia	43,029.85	2,295.71	45,325.56	85,000.00	.....	2,110.18	316.02	47,7
Wyoming	20,307.26	177.74	20,485.00	36,000.00	.....	876.00	44.00	21,4
Puerto Rico Provisional	.....	.....	.....	25.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total	417,368.97	12,180.52	429,549.49	797,083.00	5.00	16,964.87	3,177.18	449,6
South Central:								
Central Kansas	40,637.76	2,493.95	43,131.71	70,000.00	.....	1,537.31	523.75	45,1
Central Texas	20,647.81	2,231.68	22,879.49	40,000.00	.....	1,055.87	236.51	24,1
East Oklahoma	14,573.23	1,201.94	15,775.17	24,255.00	.....	388.14	214.74	16,3
Indian Mission	367.89	5.00	372.89	500.00	.....	.....	.....	3
Kansas	23,093.15	1,404.22	24,497.37	47,250.00	.....	625.04	290.35	25,4
Little Rock	17,847.81	1,570.53	19,418.34	35,000.00	.....	659.88	63.24	20,1
Louisiana	29,882.31	2,239.40	32,121.71	46,500.00	.....	1,016.17	119.92	33,2
Missouri	10,903.15	353.93	11,257.08	17,500.00	.....	223.41	52.58	11,5
Nebraska	31,743.13	2,343.38	34,086.51	63,000.00	.....	1,090.21	386.94	35,5
New Mexico	3,979.22	1,085.27	5,064.49	10,000.00	.....	205.40	55.53	5,3
North Arkansas	10,400.00	2,000.00	12,400.00	26,000.00	.....	605.22	79.12	13,0
North Texas	18,949.69	1,250.00	20,199.69	41,000.00	.....	250.00	75.00	20,5
Northwest Texas	17,753.99	1,304.31	19,058.30	28,000.00	.....	1,088.26	113.53	20,2
St. Louis	16,872.89	1,717.19	18,590.08	34,000.00	$5.00	259.21	88.93	18,9
Southwest Mexican	384.62	.....	384.62	500.00	.....	76.72	28.30	4
Southwest Missouri	21,606.12	1,924.96	23,531.08	32,500.00	.....	434.75	133.88	24,0
Southwest Texas	19,176.88	2,108.70	21,285.58	38,000.00	.....	585.80	130.34	22,0
Texas	34,303.17	3,013.13	37,316.30	53,500.00	.....	1,024.25	362.12	38,7
West Oklahoma	22,000.00	1,800.00	23,800.00	42,000.00	.....	1,164.08	239.06	25,2
Total	355,122.82	30,047.59	385,170.41	649,505.00	5.00	12,289.72	3,193.84	400,6
Southeastern:								
Alabama	23,986 80	1,632.76	25,619.56	42,000.00	.....	635.87	205.68	26,4
Cuba Mission	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	18.00	.....	1
Florida	42,573.83	2,905.84	45,479.67	70,000.00	.....	2,698.97	164.15	48,3
Holston	21,896.15	3,123.85	25,020.00	50,000.00	.....	1,846.12	178.93	27,0
Kentucky	15,837 00	1,961.48	17,798.48	31,000.00	.....	897.85	145.19	18,8
Louisville	16,807 47	1,880.55	18,688.02	40,000.00	.....	821.27	154.28	19,6

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DIVISION OF TOTAL RECEIPTS

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7,532.72		$ 7,532.72	$ 7,198.25	$ 106.62	$ 371.08	$ 70.00			$ 8,080.42
48,587.75	$ 1,737.50	50,325.25	44,384.18	211.28	3,102.90	240.43	$ 73.50	$ 799.89	54,753.25
51,161.05	8,550.00	59,711.05	50,997.22	134.00	4,611.79		86.30	25.00	64,568.14
41,857.31	1,767.00	43,624.31	41,872.04	99.89	2,934.46	50.00	61.25		46,769.91
36,611.65	2,070.00	38,681.65	35,212.56	106.47	2,335.43	125.00	89.00		41,337.55
34,250.36	1,000.00	35,250.36	26,435.20	138.10	3,765.53	691.62	59.70		39,905.31
18,468.21		18,468.21	13,050.73	24.10	883.60	35.00	20.21		19,431.12
8,139.36		8,139.36	5,502.41	14.20	834.75	100.00			9,088.31
38,188.67	3,000.00	41,188.67	33,878.93	145.78	3,196.90		61.72		44,593.07
50,664.67	10,636.68	71,301.35	60,691.65	164.68	3,379.76	2,730.00	110.00		77,685.79
19,448.05		19,448.05	18,054.00	37.33	1,185.62		12.00		20,683.00
22,795.06		22,795.06	20,611.21	226.34	1,170.22	100.00			24,291.62
19,505.82	1,359.66	20,865.48	16,117.11	84.79	1,435.45		39.89		22,425.61
82,670.05	10,050.00	92,720.05	88,354.05	160.00	7,785.93	5,030.00	151.25	200.00	106,047.23
64,127.31	2,200.31	66,327.62	62,900.97	113.59	3,204.95	2,307.07	81.07		72,034.30
16,916.21	2,000.00	18,916.21	16,124.63	100.50	2,482.44	338.00	25.00	35.00	21,897.15
22,016.42	200.00	22,216.42	20,026.56	47.44	4,442.48		40.00	200.00	26,946.34
10,452.40	804.50	11,256.90	10,551.92	89.87	895.08			50.00	12,291.85
14,957.10		14,957.10	14,521.35		918.50		20.52		15,896.12
18,350.17	45,375.65	663,725.82	586,484.97	2,004.98	48,936.87	11,817.12	931.41	1,309.89	728,726.09
50,857.41	5,001.34	55,858.75	53,123.74	71.52	2,534.24	545.23	66.50	5.00	59,081.24
19,226.96	141.66	19,368.62	19,459.43	81.70	1,374.67	1,013.50			21,838.49
17,444.21	4,150.00	21,594.21	21,371.80	15.07	2,106.12	450.00	48.62		24,214.02
21,215.77	2,416.66	23,632.43	22,431.56	23.69	1,020.56	208.33			24,885.01
21,415.95	2,444.25	23,860.20	24,127.21	36.88	898.31	107.24	37.57		24,940.20
3,855.52	268.32	4,123.84	3,136.11	6.13	159.50				4,289.47
24,948.80	1,950.00	26,898.80	23,076.91		531.85			4,580.77	32,011.42
9,087.42	3,000.00	12,087.42	13,295.49	35.08	532.80	4,341.16			16,996.46
8,622.15	1,166.66	9,788.81	8,671.12	79.99	55.50		15.00		9,939.30
2,810.73		2,810.73	2,549.72		75.50				2,886.23
19,804.25	2,250.00	22,054.25	19,020.30	30.60	804.25	2,900.00	40.16	5.00	25,834.26
16,168.18		16,168.18	14,880.10	10.81	861.05		27.72		17,067.76
21,396.75	1,300.00	22,696.75	20,190.15	13.75	1,130.52	15.00	35.00	20.00	23,911.02
8,282.33		8,282.33	5,069.11		376.30	80.90		200.00	8,939.53
15,517.22	1,503.71	17,020.93	15,237.84	21.45	793.52	329.45	47.64		18,212.99
26,174.59	5,183.33	31,357.92	36,907.75	4.00	1,183.38	109.25			32,654.55
39,175.93	6,395.83	45,571.76	46,044.30	31.10	1,023.24	757.63	56.65	85.92	47,526.30
17,363.85		17,363.85	16,802.28	41.76	830.03	169.00	40.00	45.00	18,489.64
43,318.44	4,433.32	47,751.76	45,506.12	77.93	4,395.43		67.78	200.00	52,492.90
18,871.67	2,533.33	21,405.00	17,710.00	16.50	833.90	90.00	35.00		22,380.40
			39.00						
05,558.13	44,138.41	449,696.54	428,650.04	597.96	21,520.67	11,116.69	517.64	5,141.69	488,591.19
44,792.77	400.00	45,192.77	35,598.13	68.41	3,364.14		67.54		48,692.86
24,171.87		24,171.87	19,888.44		2,061.92	25.00	24.98		26,283.77
16,378.05		16,378.05	13,642.30		1,302.44		20.00		17,700.49
372.89		372.89	288.45	98.31					471.20
23,624.01	1,788.75	25,412.76	24,395.18	44.92	1,479.44	457.05		10.00	27,404.17
20,016.46	125.00	20,141.46	17,205.29		999.88		26.05		21,167.39
33,257.80		33,257.80	28,766.75	877.15	3,968.11	75.00	26.17	3.38	38,207.61
11,533.07		11,533.07	9,721.68	19.88	2,573.95				14,126.90
33,463.66	2,100.00	35,563.66	29,742.33	23.40	2,503.47		71.64		38,162.17
5,325.42		5,325.42	4,815.73		997.69		14.00		6,337.11
13,021.85	62.49	13,084.34	12,039.14		1,734.12	100.00	21.46		14,939.92
20,524.69		20,524.69	20,699.56		1,647.44	750.00	27.50		22,949.63
20,260.09		20,260.09	18,224.87	97.08	3,531.84	60.00	20.85		23,969.86
18,943.22		18,943.22	17,459.54	67.85	2,774.99	5,436.77	25.00	40.00	27,287.83
489.64		489.64	397.67						489.64
24,099.71		24,099.71	19,219.05	43.55	2,086.82	1,000.00			27,230.08
22,001.72		22,001.72	21,749.77	86.54	4,540.57				26,628.83
38,702.67		38,702.67	31,888.90	61.55	4,646.47		39.33	857.69	44,307.71
25,203.14		25,203.14	19,488.20	100.99	2,736.13		34.70		28,074.96
06,182.73	4,476.24	400,658.97	345,230.98	1,589.63	42,949.42	7,903.82	419.22	911.07	454,432.13
26,461.11		26,461.11	23,518.99	147.83	1,481.38	157.45			28,247.77
18.00		18.00	8.50	150.14	42.57				210.71
48,342.79		48,342.79	45,694.75		9,751.53	35.00	42.22		58,171.54
27,045.05		27,045.05	24,739.78		1,872.09	500.00			29,417.14
18,841.52		18,841.52	16,938.75		3,350.56		23.25		22,215.33
19,663.57		19,663.57	17,201.23	44.52	805.56	125.00	21.36		20,660.01

FINANCIAL CONFERENCE REPORT F

WOMAN'S DIVISION OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE—BOARD OF MISS

Henrietta G

Jurisdiction	CONFERENCE INCOME ON APPROPRIATIONS BY DEPARTMENTS							
	Adult	W. S. G.	Paid on Pledge 1947	Total Pledged 1947	Student	Youth	Children	Total Appropr 194
Southeastern (Continued):								
Memphis	$ 17,271.66	$ 2,916.14	$ 20,187.80	$ 40,000.00	.....	$ 767.11	$ 164.48	$ 21,
Mississippi	18,815.73	2,136.45	20,952.18	36,000.00	.....	2,453.63	142.93	23,
North Alabama	25,557.12	2,372.88	27,930.00	55,000.00	.....	1,308.86	215.37	29,
North Carolina	36,038.91	3,764.25	39,803.16	61,700.00	.....	1,508.38	322.26	41,
North Georgia	36,141.98	6,864.74	43,006.72	65,000.00	.....	1,462.18	557.60	45,
North Mississippi	16,127.11	1,837.74	17,964.85	28,000.00	.....	1,182.16	126.70	19,
South Carolina	18,462.46	1,071.23	19,533.69	28,500.00	$7.59	676.94	185.63	20,
South Georgia	37,379.17	3,939.50	41,318.67	65,000.00	.....	793.97	130.89	42,
Tennessee	20,262.15	2,041.55	22,303.70	40,000.00	.....	824.92	129.59	23,
Upper South Carolina	19,797.30	1,542.49	21,339.79	35,000.00	.....	1,313.03	82.62	22,
Virginia	56,032.37	2,410.98	58,443.35	100,000.00	.....	3,014.55	192.24	61,
Western North Carolina	45,783.41	4,059.24	49,842.65	70,000.00	.....	598.74	264.84	50,
Total	468,770.62	46,461.67	515,232.29	857,200.00	7.59	22,822.55	3,363.38	541,
Western:								
Alaska Mission	191.25	.....	191.25	325.00	.....	.....	.....	1
*California	25,564.52	1,228.20	26,792.72	42,000.00	.....	602.61	85.47	27,
Colorado	13,296.56	1,011.36	14,307.92	23,000.00	.....	50.79	193.44	14,
Hawaii	570.36	77.48	647.84	.....	.....	143.19	.....	
Idaho	4,771.14	168.50	4,939.64	7,386.00	.....	140.73	24.54	5,
Latin American Provisional	55.00	.....	55.00	30.00	.....	.....	.....	
Montana	4,370.00	372.65	4,742.65	8,000.00	.....	134.86	62.71	4,
Oregon	11,902.35	539.00	12,441.35	18,500.00	.....	1,097.04	121.19	13,
Pacific Northwest	12,873.09	415.75	13,288.84	33,390.00	.....	366.63	112.54	13,
Southern California-Arizona	71,980.90	3,189.08	75,169.98	130,000.00	.....	1,797.34	825.27	77,
Utah Mission	749.51	.....	749.51	1,124.00	.....	48.80	12.97	
Wyoming State	2,349.00	114.50	2,463.50	3,600.00	.....	53.50	35.00	2,
Total	148,673.68	7,116.52	155,790.20	267,355.00	.....	4,435.49	1,473.13	161,
Central:								
Atlanta	548.51	198.75	747.26	1,275.00	.....	85.25	6.98	
Central Alabama	308.68	.....	308.68	950.00	.....	8.00	9.00	
Central West	425.00	120.00	545.00	600.00	4.00	32.00	13.00	
Delaware	2,449.70	130.97	2,580.67	4,550.00	.....	234.00	27.37	2,
East Tennessee	216.00	39.00	255.00	600.00	.....	.....	12.00	
Florida	349.75	.....	349.75	300.00	.....	.....	3.50	
Lexington	1,289.50	191.00	1,480.50	4,050.00	.....	7.00	15.00	1,
Louisiana	619.86	69.00	688.86	1,711.50	.....	29.26	4.00	
Mississippi	641.50	207.25	848.75	1,000.00	.....	6.00	9.00	
North Carolina	521.00	25.00	546.00	1,019.55	.....	37.93	26.00	
Savannah	263.50	.....	263.50	350.00	15.00	.....	.....	
South Carolina	1,354.05	220.00	1,574.05	1,829.00	30.00	85.60	50.00	1,
South Florida	150.00	.....	150.00	250.00	.....	3.50	1.00	
Southwest	147.00	.....	147.00	500.00	9.00	6.00	7.00	
Tennessee	413.00	16.31	429.31	1,100.00	.....	.....	3.00	
Texas	1,380.77	60.40	1,441.17	1,925.00	4.00	71.79	19.57	1,
Upper Mississippi	38.00	7.00	45.00	350.00	.....	.....	.....	
Washington	2,369.51	452.13	2,821.64	3,800.00	.....	23.15	19.50	2,
West Texas	688.50	40.00	728.50	1,000.00	10.00	.....	8.00	
Total	14,173.83	1,776.81	15,950.64	27,160.05	72.00	629.48	233.92	16,
Total from Conferences	1,995,396.11	127,615.46	2,123,011.57	3,614,730.05	114.59	91,853.92	19,111.92	2,234,
Other Income for Appropriations:								
Deaconess Pensions	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Enrolled Missionary Pension Fund	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Missionary and Deaconess Temporary Disability Fund	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Interest Income Allocated from Endowments and Restricted Funds	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Miscellaneous and Gifts for Appropriations	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Student Fund	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Other Designated Expendable Receipts:								
Miscellaneous	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Refunds	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Transients	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Grand Total	$1,995,396.11	$127,615.46	$2,123,011.57	$3,614,730.05	$114.59	$91,853.92	$19,111.92	$2,234,0

*This total includes $25.00 from California Oriental Mission.

DIVISION OF TOTAL RECEIPTS

al iations	Conference Work	Total on Appropriations 1947	Total on Appropriations 1946	Week of Prayer	Supplies	Supplementary Gifts	Cultivation ¼ of 1c Per Member	Misc.	Total Receipts
,119.39		$ 21,119.39	$ 21,470.86	$ 46.95	$ 1,176.10	$ 3,000.00	$ 28.55		$ 25,370.99
,548.74		23,548.74	22,135.78	60.25	1,453.99	50.00	25.00		25,137.98
,454.23		29,454.23	27,022.92		3,442.05		35.14	$ 25.06	32,956.48
,633.80		41,633.80	32,824.34		4,848.59	248.00	53.00		46,783.39
,026.50		45,026.50	41,893.50		3,440.25	1,375.00	275.00	711.25	50,828.00
,273.71		19,273.71	18,381.68		856.54		19.45	11.00	20,160.70
,403.85		20,403.85	17,405.32	91.70	1,403.59				21,899.14
,243.53		42,243.53	36,156.79	210.39	2,721.13		33.15		45,208.20
,474.74	$ 2,783.47	23,258.21	20,546.38	27.85	233.21	1,486.13	27.24		25,032.64
,735.44		22,735.44	16,519.75	112.34	1,647.09	2,197.50	26.38		26,718.75
,650.14		61,650.14	65,448.91	323.27	531.98	400.00	90.00		62,995.39
,706.23		50,706.23	42,836.23	258.66	9,177.02			133.00	60,274.91
,642.34	2,783.47	541,425.81	490,744.46	1,473.90	48,235.23	9,574.08	699.74	880.31	602,289.07
191.25		191.25	198.50						191.25
,980.80	500.00	27,480.80	29,128.93		1,370.90	295.00	36.90		29,183.60
,501.98	2,050.17	14,552.15	20,629.90	51.67	1,283.85		28.83	2,083.67	18,000.17
791.03		791.03	511.55						791.03
,104.91		5,104.91	4,266.10		399.00		6.45		5,510.36
55.00		55.00	30.00						55.00
,565.22	375.00	4,940.22	5,692.07		275.00	150.00	12.10		5,377.32
,159.58	500.00	13,659.58	12,922.15	21.40	1,446.28	30.00	20.00	200.00	15,377.26
,257.89	510.12	13,768.01	20,608.05	99.46	1,195.39	70.00			15,132.86
,789.40	6,003.19	77,792.59	69,354.19	1.00	6,737.46	12,628.15	70.00		97,229.20
811.28		811.28	671.70		60.55				871.83
,552.00		2,552.00	1,975.00		274.00		4.00		2,830.00
,760.34	9,938.48	161,698.82	165,988.14	173.53	13,042.43	13,173.15	178.28	2,283.67	190,549.88
839.49		839.49	710.75	4.61	36.00		4.00		884.10
325.68		325.68	434.98	9.00	12.05				346.73
594.00		594.00	330.25	3.90	67.85		2.30		668.05
,015.04	827.00	2,842.04	2,629.99	37.48	20.25		10.00		2,909.77
267.00		267.00	499.20	21.00			3.00		291.00
353.25		353.25	142.00						353.25
,502.50		1,502.50	1,461.00	24.60	26.00		20.00		1,573.10
722.12		722.12	506.00	5.25	63.07		5.31		795.75
863.75		863.75	517.00		75.00		12.00		950.75
609.93		609.93	530.50		93.50		7.00		710.43
278.50		278.50	234.50	4.00	56.00				338.50
,739.65		1,739.65	854.00		62.50		10.00		1,812.15
154.50		154.50	101.00		10.00				164.50
169.00		169.00	318.50		25.00				194.00
432.31		432.31	495.40		98.50				530.81
,536.53		1,536.53	1,171.90	17.50	111.51				1,665.54
45.00		45.00	44.05						45.00
,864.29		2,864.29	2,418.78	60.50	21.96				2,946.75
746.50		746.50	579.95	11.16	71.50		10.00		839.16
,059.04	827.00	16,886.04	13,979.75	199.00	850.69		83.61		18,019.34
,552.75	107,539.25	2,234.092.00	2,031.078.34	6,039.00	175,535.31	53,584.86	2,829.90	10,526.63	2,482,607.70
,124.27		27,124.27	25,882.58						27,124.27
480.90		480.90	464.56						480.90
,245.00		2,245.00	2,438.50						2,245.00
,253.65		15,253.65	12,608.28						15,253.65
,281.09		3,281.09	4,199.42						3,281.09
861.00		861.00	502.75						861.00
,245.91		49,245.91	46,096.09						
					3,341.97	16,756.49		919,596.57	939,695.08
								66,764.14	66,764.14
								19,704.21	19,704.21
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